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Matter Of Conscience

THE storm of indignation which has been aroused in Britain by Dr Hewlett Johnson's persistent allegations that the United Nations are carrying out germ warfare in Korea must surely convince this irresponsible prelate that he has overstepped the bounds of common decency and that he has exceeded his privileges as a dignitary of the Church of England. The people of Britain have tolerated, with characteristic quiet humour, the "Red Dean's" ardent and persistent sympathy for the cause of Communism. But the charges he is now levelling go beyond political ideology; they constitute a contemptuous slander of British and other United Nations forces in Korea. To the average person it is incredible that a man of such high intellect is willing to lend testimony to charges which have amply been proved as false and malicious. In accepting the Communists' "proof" of the allegations, the Dean of Canterbury is insulting his own mentality as well as outraging the feelings of his fellow men.

THE demand is growing in volume for the dismissal of Dr Johnson from his high clerical office, but action along these lines cannot easily be taken. As a high ranking officer of the Church the Dean enjoys considerable immunity and his cloth provides protection not available to people in other callings in life. In the final analysis the decision whether Dr Johnson remains a church dignitary will probably rest with him. His own conscience should dictate to him the proper course of action. It is wholly incompatible for any clergyman to associate himself with political propaganda known to be false and still remain a spiritual leader of his people. Dr Johnson's political philosophy is his own concern, but it is intolerable that he should shelter behind his privileged office in the Church for the purpose of disseminating palpably false allegations which besmirch the good name of men who are carrying out dangerous duties in order to protect and sustain the cherished ideals of the free world.

EISENHOWER EXPECTED TO WIN ON FIRST BALLOT

Taft Loses Ground In Nomination Race

TELEPHONE TALK WITH MacARTHUR

Chicago, July 10. General Dwight Eisenhower raced toward the Republican presidential nomination today against a stop-like movement in which the names of Governor Earl Warren and General Douglas MacArthur loomed.

General Eisenhower's lieutenants jubilantly claimed that he needed only 26 more votes to win the nomination on the first ballot and was "likely" to get these votes.

They were "certain" he would win on the second ballot, if a second one were needed.

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Eisenhower's campaign manager, said the Eisenhower forces would like to push presidential balloting to a conclusion right after the nominating speeches at the national convention. "We certainly are not demanding it" he added.

The Taft strategy was to try to prevent a ballot tonight and give their forces time to work out ways to stem the Eisenhower tide.

Senator Robert Taft has not given up, despite his series of defeats. But there were unconfirmed reports that he was prepared to throw support to Governor Warren of California or General MacArthur in an effort to prevent Eisenhower's nomination.

Senator Taft disclosed that he talked by telephone with MacArthur in New York, but was tight-lipped about the subject of their conversation except to say that it did not involve any talk about MacArthur running for Vice-President on the Taft ticket.

Taft also plunged into a fevered round of conferences, including a 20-minute, unannounced huddle with Governor Warren in an effort to turn back the Eisenhower tide. He said he and Mr Warren discussed nothing of much consequence but admitted that the "general situation" of the all-out presidential battle was altered.

Mr Warren said the conference was initiated by Senator Taft.

Ohioan's stop-Eisenhower procedure.

If the Warren or MacArthur angle should work out, it could change the whole complexion of the convention quickly. Taft men are hitting hard at Dewey as a leader who took the Party to defeat in 1944 and 1948. Their cry is that a Dewey-storied Eisenhower would lead in 1952.

But with the nominating speeches due to start at 9:30 GMT, the Eisenhower forces were supremely confident.

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Eisenhower campaign manager, said it was "quite likely" Eisenhower would be nominated on the first ballot. He said a second ballot "certainly" would make the General the Party's presidential candidate.

With their bandwagon riding high, the general's forces fought to get balloting started. The Taft camp battled just as hard to stave it off to give them time to marshal forces and buttonhole delegates.

Senator Taft said he did not see "any possibility" of anybody winning on the first ballot and then went on to add, "I have a better idea."

He denied that he was going to throw his votes to anybody.

TAFT'S PREDICTION

Senator Taft put his first-ballot strength at 500 to 535. Before the convention opened, he placed it just a few votes short of the 604 needed for nomination.

The convention chairman, Joseph Martin, foresaw the possibility of a deadlock. He said that, with the nominating speeches cleared away, he might call the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. GMT, Friday to get balloting under way and all business cleared up by nightfall.

Reports of a Taft for MacArthur move came from a variety of sources. James Delony, pro-MacArthur delegate, said Senator John Bricker, leader of the Ohio delegation, would nominate MacArthur, but Senator Bricker denied it.

Some members of the New York delegation, which is predominantly pro-Eisenhower, said they heard the Taft men eventually would get behind a MacArthur ticket.

The latest United Press tabulation showed Eisenhower leading Taft in first-ballot votes 541-498—a gain of 18 during the day for the general and of one for Taft.

Eisenhower backers said the front-running general was only 26 votes away from the first-ballot nomination. They strove hard for these votes which they say is all they lack. They are counting heavily on Minnesota and California, but these States' favourite sons—Harold Stassen and Governor Earl Warren—declared that they were staying in the race. They hope for a deadlock between Eisenhower and Taft, which could throw the nomination to a dark horse.

Reports from usually well-informed sources said Senator Taft was convinced that California was the key to the situation.

Warren headquarters announced that the Governor's name would be put before the convention as scheduled, with the nominating speech to be made by Senator William Knowland of California.

With the stop-Taft coalition in majority control, the delegates plodded through routine business today in preparation for the raucous nominating speeches which are the first order of business for tonight's session. If the convention decides to proceed with balloting after the speeches, the first vote will come very late at night or in the small hours of Friday.

Otherwise, balloting will be deferred until the Friday forenoon session.

The Eisenhower camp is already talking about a vice-presidential candidate to run with the general. Sources close to the general said he wanted, and would personally try to make sure he got, a young running mate if he won the top spot. Except for that qualification, he was said to be giving his managers a free hand in picking a second-place nominee.

PLATFORM ADOPTED

The day's business in the big arena included adoption of the 4,800-word platform, plugging spending cuts, air power boosts, foreign aid reductions and a worldwide fight against Communism.

Delegates, meanwhile, amended Party rules to give States which vote almost solidly Republican in the national elections bigger representation on the National Committee. The change was adopted 693 to 613 over objections that it would destroy "equal representation" on the Committee now given women members and members from the South.

Despite Taft camp claims that the Senator still has more than 600 first ballot votes, the Eisenhower forces were acting as though it was all over but for picking the vice-presidential candidate.

Senator H. Alexander Smith came up with the proposal that whoever loses should be tapped for Vice-President. He suggested it would "heal the wounds" of the angriest Republican convention fight in 40 years and "unite our forces for victory in November."

Other vice-presidential names were heard—Warren, Senator William Knowland and Senator Richard Nixon among others.

WOMAN NOMINEE

But the convention may get a chance to vote one woman—Senator Margaret Chase Smith—for vice-President. She will be nominated by former Republican Senator Claire Booth Luce.

Eisenhower backers drove hard for the two dozen or so votes they say are all they need for a first-ballot win. They would not say how they figure.

Voting Likely Tonight

Chicago, July 10. Representative Joseph Martin, permanent chairman of the Republican convention, said today that he did not expect balloting on the presidential nomination to take place until Friday.

He made the statement to reporters after he conferred with the spokesmen for Senator Robert Taft and General Dwight Eisenhower.

Roy Howard, head of the Scripps-Howard newspaper, paid a brief visit to General Eisenhower today in the General's suite.

He said the Republican presidential nomination "looks pretty much like it is in the bag" for the General.

Governor John Pine of Pennsylvania, meanwhile, was reported to have agreed to throw his share of Pennsylvania's 70-vote delegation to General Douglas MacArthur on the first presidential ballot if the stop-Eisenhower movement appeared to be creating a deadlock.

United Press.

ENRAGED BERLINERS PROTEST

Berlin, July 10. Twenty-five thousand enraged West Berliners seethed before the city hall tonight to demonstrate their wrath against the Communist kidnapping of Attorney Walter Linse and demonstrated their readiness to act by swarming over a cluster of Reds who tried to heckle.

Two apparent Communists who raised their voices against the demonstration were smashed to the concrete pavement, stunned and beaten. Only a sharp onslaught by the West Berlin police saved their lives.

The City Cabinet, the political parties, the trade unions and other anti-Communist agencies called the rally.

After the police had saved the first Communist from certain death, the victim was hustled away in a radio car.

When the patrol car returned, the crowd recognised it, pulled the three policemen out of the small car, pummelled them unmercifully and completely stripped one of them.—Associated Press.

Archbishop And "Red Dean"

London, July 10. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Geoffrey Fisher, said today he was planning to address the House of Lords next Tuesday on the recent visit to Communist China of the "Red Dean", Dr Hewlett Johnson.

Dr Johnson and his wife came back to Britain with a long Chinese language manifesto featuring what he described as Communist proof of the alleged use of germ warfare in Korea.—France-Press.

SELLING WATER BY BUCKET

Rangoon, July 10. Drinking water in Rangoon today cost eight annas a bucket following the blowing up of the main pipeline by rebels two days ago.

Vendors made a small fortune, bringing water into the city from nearby lakes.

The rebels have also blown up a railway bridge near Rangoon in an attempt to delay Government repair gangs from restoring the pipeline.—Reuter.

Five Years For Traitor



Above is a recent picture of William Martin Marshall, 24-year-old Foreign Office radio operator who was yesterday sentenced to five years' imprisonment for giving secrets to the Russians.—Reuterphoto.

ALLIES PROPOSE 4-POWER TALKS

Washington, July 10. The French, British and United States Governments proposed to Russia today an early four-Power conference to set up an impartial commission to investigate elections conditions throughout Germany.

A Note from the three Western Governments was handed over in Moscow in reply to a Soviet Note of May 24, suggesting simultaneous discussions on a German peace treaty, German unification and the formation of an all-German Government.

The Western Note today accused the Soviets of deepening the division of Germany by recent measures cutting off West Germans from contact with those in the Soviet zone, despite Russia's advertised desire for unification.

The Western reply differed from the Note delivered by the three Powers on May 13 in proposing that the four-Power conference should meet to set up the commission, instead of meeting only for an early meeting of representatives of the four Powers to set up an impartial investigating commission is governed by two conditions: agreement between the four Governments on the need to hold free elections of the kind described in the Western Note, and agreement that at first all-German government must take part in peace treaty negotiations.

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The text of the Western Note said, in part:

"The Government fully maintain the views and proposals in their Note of May 13. On this basis they wish, in their present Note, primarily to concentrate attention upon the immediate practical problem of the procedure for setting up, through free elections, an all-German government with which a peace treaty can be negotiated."

"In their Note the Soviet Government once more propose simultaneous discussions on a peace treaty, the unification of Germany, and the formation of an all-German government. For their part, the Government maintain their position on this question, namely, that an all-German government must participate in the negotiations of a peace treaty, and that, therefore, before undertaking such negotiations, Germany must be unified and an all-German government established."

"Unification of Germany can be achieved only through free elections. The essential first step is obviously the determination that conditions necessary for such free elections exist. The (Contd. on back page, col. 3)

Prayers And Hymns For Men On Trial

Port Elizabeth, July 10. While 30 men were on trial here today for joining in the campaign against South Africa's racial segregation laws, 4,000 non-Europeans sang hymns outside the court and prayed for those on trial.

The Police today arrested 88 more men and women for breaking the apartheid regulations at New Brighton railway station and a post office, bringing the total since the campaign began on June 20 to 203.

All those arrested were dressed in the African Congress colours of green, black and yellow.

In court, the 30 men, charged with using a railway station entrance reserved for Europeans, pleaded not guilty.

The first accused, whom the Magistrate called the ring-leader, said that he used the entrance deliberately. He was fined £10 or three months. The others were fined £5 or one month. Half the sentences were suspended.

All refused to pay the fine and elected to go to gaol.

After hearing two cases the Magistrate sent the rest back to their cells to consider alteration of their pleas, but all refused to change them.

"MISGUIDED PEOPLE"

The prosecutor said that he had been asked by the Solicitor-General to request heavy sentences to "teach misguided people participating in a deliberately planned campaign that they could not defy the law of the land."

The Magistrate, declaring that he would not permit political speeches from the witness box, said that there were constitutional grounds by which grievances could find redress.

He would see that those who deliberately defied the law were properly punished.

In Johannesburg today, 25 non-Europeans were refused bail when they were remanded till July 24 on charges of being in a public street after the African curfew hour without a permit.

The men were arrested outside a police station in Johannesburg, Johannesburg, on Tuesday night.

Mr David Boppe, Organising Secretary of the Transvaal African Congress, has been notified by the Minister of Justice, Mr Charles Swart, that the ban against him living outside the Transvaal has been withdrawn.—Reuter.

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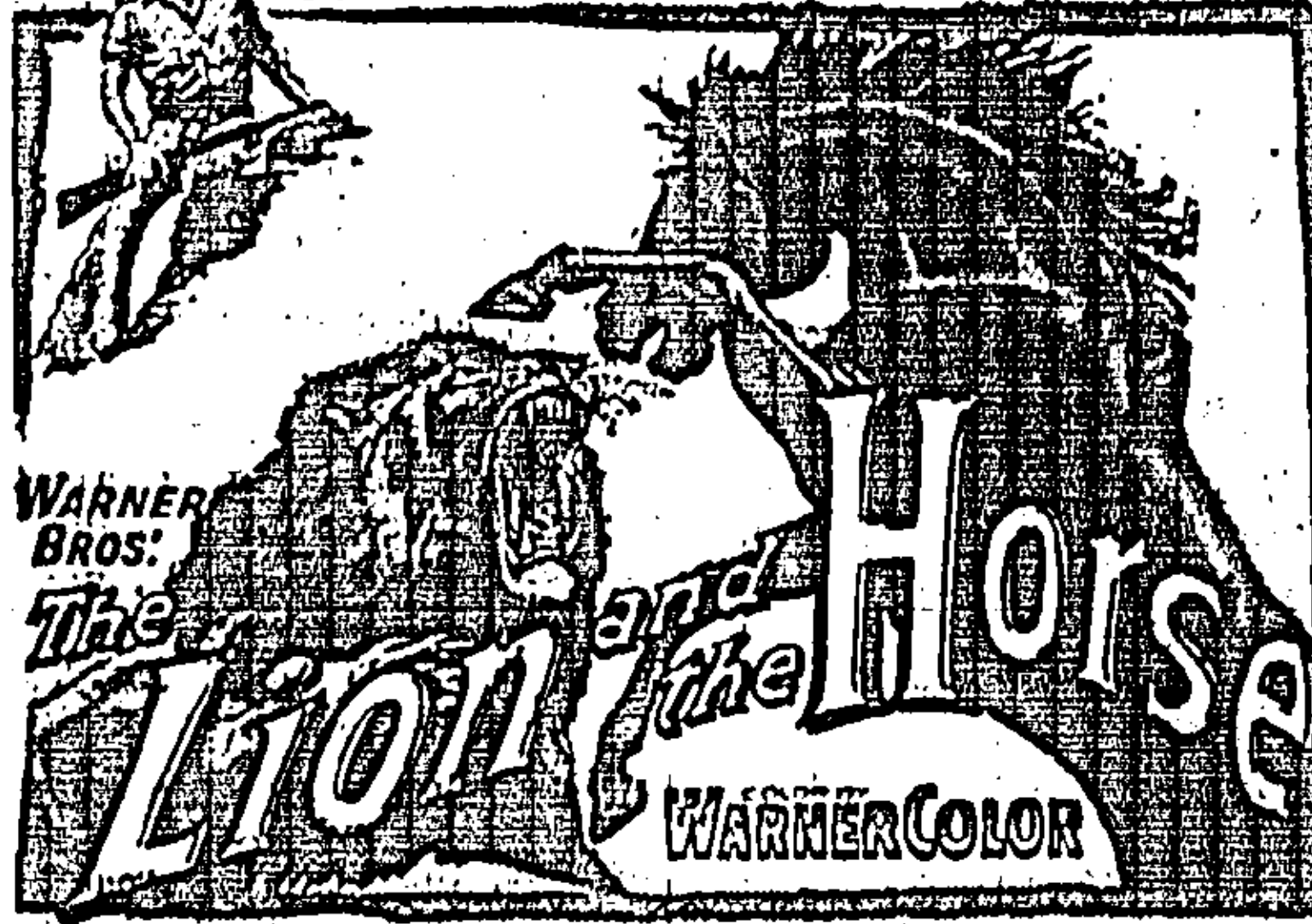
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The Queen is amused when she is shown a toy rabbit by Miss Ferguson who showed Her Majesty round Acheson House, Scottish Craft Centre in Edinburgh, during the Royal visit to Scotland. The Queen bought two of the rabbits. — Central Press.

EAST GERMAN CHANGES

Berlin, July 10. East Germany's Communist boss, Walter Ulbricht, announced last night that the five East Zone States — Brandenburg, Mecklenburg, Saxony, Anhalt and Thuringia — will soon be abolished and replaced by 15 administrative districts.

This is necessary because the present set-up is not up to the "new higher tasks," he said. He further disclosed that all old German codes of law still in force in the Russian Zone are to be replaced by Communist codes laying down what he called "socialist law." — Associated Press.

Anti-Filipino Attitude?

Manila, July 10. Navy vessels ferrying troops returning home under the Army's rotation system from the Korean battlefield will no longer dock at any Japanese port but will head straight for the Philippines.

This is because of an alleged anti-Filipino attitude at present existing in Japan.

On the other hand, the Foreign Office, in a statement today, said that it was not aware of any such feeling. — Reuter.

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RIDGWAY'S DENUNCIATION OF COMMUNIST GERM CHARGES

London, July 11.

General Matthew B. Ridgway, Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, today described the germ warfare charges against Allied forces in Korea as a "complete and deliberate fabrication." "There is not one single iota of evidence which will support these charges," the General told a news conference.

"I don't believe that it can be over-emphasized or too often repeated that no element of the United Nations Command at any time or in any form whatever has employed germ warfare." Critics of "non-sense" and "hit down" greeted a Communist Daily Worker correspondent who put further questions to the General on this subject.

General Ridgway who has had meetings here with the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, the Defence Minister, Lord Alexander, and British Service Chiefs, said that no conclusions, "much less decisions," were reached in talks on the Middle Eastern Command structure. The talks on the Middle East Command and on the Mediterranean Command were on purely military aspects. On the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation the General said,

"I don't believe that we can too often state or too strongly emphasize that the building up of these military forces is completely free of any aggressive intent against any people on earth."

CAN BE DONE

"In the brief time I have had at Supreme Allied Headquarters in Europe I have reached certain conclusions and one of these is that the goals of the NATO are attainable."

When asked why no decision had been reached on the setting up of the Mediterranean and Middle East Supreme Commands, General Ridgway said that they were not up for decision.

The proposed Middle East Command would be outside his authority, he said, but would be an adjoining command to his own.

The General paid tribute to the harmony and co-operation between the forces of the 16 United Nations in Korea and said that the NATO and the free world could draw "a great deal of comfort" from this co-operation.

BALANCE NEEDED

General Ridgway was then asked to comment on suggestions in the United States that a proportion of the United States ground forces be withdrawn from Europe to the United States and that Europe be defended by supremacy in the air.

General Ridgway, stressing that he was giving a personal opinion, said: "If there is one lesson we have learned as professional military men it is that in military operations you must have a balance of three great military services—land, sea and air—in different proportions and different ratios."

"If you sacrifice any one of these three you accept the lowering of the potential effectiveness which the force would have."

To advocate the achievement of any major military objective by a single arm of the services, he said, was "basically and essentially unsound." — Reuter.

Shipwreck Survivors Flown Home

London, July 10.

Twenty-three British and Arab seamen, part of the crew of the 7,000-ton British cargo ship Mavis Hill, wrecked on the rocks off the coast of Italian Sardinia, arrived at London airport in a special charter aircraft.

Twelve others had left the aircraft at Amsterdam and a 13th at Aden.

The Mavis Hill ran aground on June 25. The crew managed to reach shore, saving all their personal belongings, and were escorted by Italian troops to Barga. Then they were taken by an Aden Airways Dakota from a nearby disused ex-Royal Air Force airstrip.

The skipper of the Mavis Hill, 51-year-old Captain Bill Lyall, said the ship's cat, Minnie, had to be left in Barga because of "future family reasons." — Reuter.

Fechteler's Visit

Manila, July 10.

Admiral William M. Fechteler, Chief of Operations of the United States Navy, is to arrive at Langley Point off Cavite on July 21 for a brief visit. He will visit Hongkong later. The Admiral and his party will leave Washington by air tomorrow. — Reuter.

Explosions In Tunisia

Sfax, July 10.

Three explosions occurred in Sfax today. Some damage was caused but one was hurt.

One bomb exploded on the window sill of the home of Captain Guillaume, Commandant of the port of Sfax, who is at present on holiday.

Another wrecked an electrical transformer and the third exploded in a roadway. — Reuter.

General's Visit Ends

Rome, July 10.

General Nuri Yemuth, Turkish Chief of Staff, left here tonight by air for Istanbul. Associated Press.

'Mad Mike' Calvert Denies Charges

Hanover, July 10.

Major James "Mad Mike" Calvert today denied in the witness box allegations of indecent conduct with German boys.

He told a British court martial that his meetings with Germans, described by the prosecution, were all of a completely innocent nature.

The much-decorated officer testified that the four boys, who were alleged to have committed indecent acts with him in his quarters, visited him only to seek jobs as batmen and that he chased them away.

Meetings with two other young Germans in a public house called "The Green Hunter" came about because of his wish to get to know the Germans better and to do something to improve Anglo-German relations, the Burma hero stated. He denied their accusations that he tried to induce them to behave indecently with him. Calvert, who was a Lieutenant-Colonel at the time, said that the British Commander-in-Chief had issued instructions that officers were to make more contact with German people and invite them into their messes as guests.

AUTHOR TESTIFIES
The prosecuting officer, Lieutenant Colonel Andrew Campbell, asked whether the Germans concerned, who were bricklayers and farmhands, were the class of people normally invited to an officers' mess.

Calvert replied: "I am glad to associate with any decent German."

The author, Peter Fleming, testifying for the defence, said he was a close friend of the accused since meeting him in the Far East during the war. Mr Fleming said that Calvert had never given the slightest indication of being homosexual.

The author described the accused as "chivalrous, gentle, compassionate and sympathetic with a queuing adventurous side and a deep interest in the whole of the rest of humanity."

Mr Fleming suggested that these characteristics had led to Calvert's contact with the Germans, and added that the officer was "impulsive and not always discreet."

The trial continues tomorrow. — Associated Press.

IRAQ CABINET

Baghdad, July 10.

Mustapha el Umari, former Minister of State, expects to complete forming a non-party caretaker Government by Saturday to prepare for elections to the Lower House of Parliament.

Premier Nuri el Said's coalition Cabinet resigned yesterday. Opposition parties had charged El Said's Constitutional Union Party with planning to change the electoral law to keep itself in power. — Associated Press.

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ADENAUER MAJORITY ON BONN CONVENTIONS BELIEVED CERTAIN Bundestag Mood Changing On Rearmament Issue

Police Suspect Arson

WARNER FILM STUDIO FIRE

Burbank, California, July 10.

Detectives searched for evidence of arson today in the charred back lot of Warner Brothers Film Studio where more than \$4,500,000 worth of sets and equipment were destroyed by flames that finally burst out in nearby hills.

The fire was described as being much worse than the blaze that razed 25 acres of the studio's property last May 10. It was brought under control late last night after it had covered about 75 acres and had swept into the hills behind the studio. Total damage is estimated at between \$4,500,000 and \$5,000,000.

Officers of the Sheriff's arson squad investigated the possibility that the fire was started yesterday by an arsonist and pointed out that it apparently began simultaneously in two different locations.

Sgt. Ed Hatcher of the Sheriff's arson squad said that at one of the points where the flames broke out, a small space between two buildings on the set, there appeared to be no material that could have started a fire accidentally.

Blair Matthews, head of Warner's security police force, said that the studio believed that Wednesday's fire, as well as that of May 10, were both started by arsonists.

Four youths seen near the studio fence earlier in the day were questioned by the Sheriff's staff, but they were later released. —United Press.

Sultan's Medal For Marine

London, July 10. A Sultan's medal, sent from Malaya, will be presented to a Royal Marine at Deal Barracks shortly.

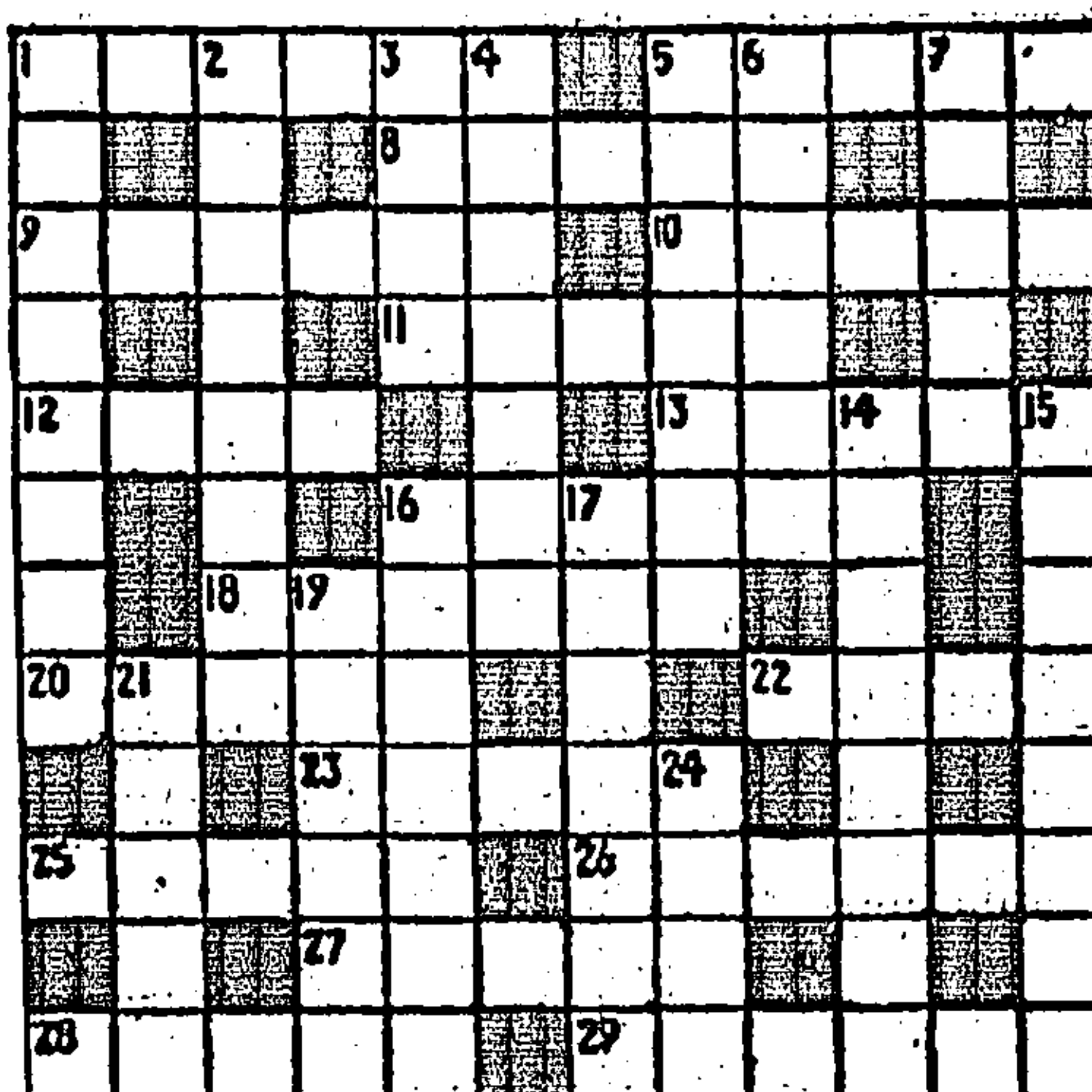
It is the Perak Distinguished Conduct Medal, awarded to Marine William Lowrie, who comes from Lochans, Wigtownshire.

He volunteered to fight a one-man rear-guard action against a large band of Communists who had ambushed a patrol of 40 Commando, Royal Marines, in Malaya.

His action enabled his companions to withdraw in safety. The Sultan's medal was brought to England during the recent visit of the Prime Minister of Perak.

Lowrie, who has received the Queen's permission to wear the Malayan medal, will receive it from a British general.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Questioned (6).
- 2 Blockhead (5).
- 3 Bird (5).
- 4 Buy back (6).
- 5 Metre measure (5).
- 6 Rescue (5).
- 7 Dismissal (4).
- 8 Tribal emblem (5).
- 9 Calm (6).
- 10 Elevation (6).
- 11 Severe (5).
- 12 Money (4).
- 13 Fungus (5).
- 14 Pervert by girls (5).
- 15 Struggle (5).
- 16 Wearied (5).
- 17 Compel (5).
- 18 Feels (6).

DOWN

- 1 Clerical divisions (8).
- 2 Care of the hands (8).
- 3 Cupid (4).
- 4 Injures (7).
- 5 Expunged (7).
- 6 Concord (6).
- 7 Flew (5).
- 8 Violent storms (8).
- 9 Giants (6).
- 10 True (7).
- 11 Narrates (7).
- 12 Eastern language (6).
- 13 I unlc (5).
- 14 Fop (4).

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TB Scourge In Empire

London, July 10. The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, said today that tuberculosis was still a scourge in many parts of the Empire and was one of its gravest problems.

The spread of malaria had greatly decreased through the discovery of new insecticides. Tuberculosis now headed the list of "killer diseases".

The Minister was opening the third day of the Commonwealth Health and Tuberculosis Conference in London.

The Minister of Health, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, said deaths from tuberculosis in England and Wales last year were the lowest ever recorded. —Reuter.

MISSION TO INDONESIA

Manila, July 10.

The Philippines will send a goodwill mission to Indonesia after the current session of Congress is over to strengthen Asian ties.

This proposed mission is being planned by members of the Upper House of the Philippine Congress following the goodwill visit today of Dr. M. Yamini, former Indonesian Minister of Justice and a present member of the Indonesian Parliament, to Senator Eulogio Rodriguez, President of the Senate.

The mission will be undertaken in an unofficial capacity with the Senators paying their own travelling expenses. —Reuter.

Bonn, July 10.

The Bundestag closed its two-day debate on the first reading of the Bonn conventions and the European Army Treaty tonight.

The treaties were passed on to committees without opposition except from the Communists. The second and third readings are expected in September or October.

The House agreed to set up a new committee of European defence affairs to examine technical aspects of the European Army Treaty.

MILITARY SERVICE INCREASED

Paris, July 10.

The French National Assembly today passed a bill increasing military service from 18 months to two years for policemen, firemen, prison wardens, customs officers and water and forestry officials.

A bill to extend to two years the military service of students of professional and military colleges was postponed for consideration in October.

The Defence Minister, M. Rene Pleven, has emphasised that the French Army is short of qualified officers and non-commissioned officers.

The bill is aimed at giving candidates for public service the extra training to become NCO's and officers.

The same motives are behind the bill to increase military service for entrants to technical colleges.

The question of increasing general military service to two years has been under discussion but so far the Government has not put forward a bill on it. —Reuter.

Sterling To Be Released

London, July 10.

The Government announced today that it was releasing Iraq's remaining blocked Sterling balances amounting to about £23 million.

Mr. Richard Butler, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told the House of Commons that the present intention of the Iraq Government was to continue to hold this amount as part of the cover for her currency. —Reuter.

U.S. Will Persevere With Plan

Washington, July 10.

The United States would continue to push its plan for a commission of five neutral nations to investigate conditions in United Nations prison camps in Korea despite India's and Indonesia's refusals to serve on it, informed sources said today.

This was made clear after the Indonesian Ambassador, Dr. Ali Sastroamidjojo, had told the State Department of his country's rejection of the invitation to serve on the commission.

India had already indicated that it would refuse to serve.

Officials stated emphatically that the Indian and Indonesian refusals "do not mean that this project has been given up by any means".

President Truman proposed the neutral investigation on June 12 to prove to the world the falsity of Communist charges that Communist prisoners in Korea were being mistreated.

Zeiden was reported to have agreed to join such an investigation but the American officials said that the other two proposed members, Sweden and Switzerland, had made acceptance conditional on the willingness of the three Asian countries. —Reuter.

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"American monopolies" and foreign capital in Germany; while a West German defence force "will be a foreign legion which will expend its blood for American war adventures."

FOUR-POWER TALKS

The Parliament unanimously approved a Social Democrat motion urging the occupying powers to call, as soon as possible, a four-power conference on Germany.

Earlier, Dr. Adenauer, dismissing the Social Democrat charges that he had made no real efforts in favour of German reunification, recalled that the West German Government had made 10 approaches, interventions or statements to that effect from October 1949 to October 1951.

Russia did not even reply to these approaches, Dr. Adenauer stressed.

Protesting against the Opposition's mistrust of the Allies over the contractual agreements, Dr. Adenauer said: "I can assure you that the treaties we have negotiated leave the Federal Republic equal rights with its partner. It is the starting point of Germany's reunification."

SCHUMAN PLAN

Dr. Adenauer announced that the next conference of the Foreign Ministers of the Schuman Plan countries, (the coal and steel pool) would deal with Europe's political unification and that precise proposals had been made to that effect.

The conference is due to convene in the second half of July in Paris.

Dr. Adenauer admitted that some clauses of the German-Allied contractual agreements did not correspond to his wishes.

Speaking before Dr. Adenauer, the Social Democrat member, Fritz Erler, contended that the German-Allied agreements only aimed at guaranteeing the security of the Federal Republic without providing "effective political means" for restoring freedom to the 18 million Germans living in the Soviet zone.

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Queen Zain

Annan, July 10.

Queen Zain, who was expected here from Switzerland by air today, has postponed her return with her three younger children at the last moment "for health reasons," a Government spokesman said today.

He said the Queen had informed the Government that she would not return "for the time being" as she had been undergoing medical treatment and was still not well enough to travel.

It was expected here that she would fly back to Jordan within a week.

Usually reliable sources said the postponement was also influenced by her determination to get a firm assurance that she and her family would be accommodated in a separate household, apart from the alling King Talal, whose condition was reported to have shown no sign of improvement since he returned here from Europe a week ago.

Arrangements which the Government hoped to make for foreign specialists to attend the King have not yet materialised. —Reuter.

British Jet's Amazing Feat

London, July 10. A British jet fighter today flew from London to Brussels in 18 mins. 3.3 secs. at an average speed of 655.9 miles an hour. Vickers-Armstrong announced tonight.

The flight of the Vickers supermarine Swift jet over 200.38 miles was timed by the Royal Aero Club from London Airport until it flew over the centre of Melbourn Airport, east of Brussels.

The time is being submitted for confirmation as a record for a flight between the two capitals. —Reuter.

SECRET MOVES BY STEEL MEN

Strike Negotiations To Be Revived?

Pittsburgh, July 10.

Top steel executives are reported to be manoeuvring today to revive negotiations with striking CIO United steelworkers which broke down a month ago.

Tight secrecy surrounded the industry's moves.

The United States Steel President, Mr. Benjamin Fairless, had announced on Tuesday that steel officials would seek a conference with the Union by today in an effort to get vitally needed iron ore shipments moving.

However, the spokesman for the CIO President, Philip Murray, said that no contact had been made with the companies by noon.

Observers speculated that company officials are considering broadening the proposed conference to include phases of the five-week strike other than ore.

The three executives who represented the industry in the last formal joint meeting with the Union, which was broken off on June 9 in Washington, all refused to comment. —United Press.

Opposition Walk Out Of Parliament

Brussels, July 10.

An Opposition walk-out halted today's session of the Belgian Chamber.

The 104 Opposition members walked out when the majority Party, the Catholics, refused to give priority to a particular topic.

The Catholics could not must of the members needed to pass any bill and were forced to adjourn.

The row started over a Catholic proposal that the State, in certain cases, should repay fines to which wartime collaborators had been condemned.

The Socialists, like the other Opposition parties, the Liberals and Communists, strongly opposed this and today moved to place the matter at the top of next week's agenda. The motion was defeated. —Reuter.

Gardeners Meet

Stockholm, July 10.

The third international conference on garden architecture opened in Stockholm Town Hall today.

A total of 160 architects from 23 countries are participating. Countries represented include Belgium, Britain, France, Israel, Italy, Yugoslavia, Portugal, Spain, the United States, West Germany and the Scandinavian countries. —Reuter.

Big Dollar Loan By Canada To UK Foreshadowed

Toronto, July 10.

The Toronto Financial Post, in a despatch from Ottawa, said today that "a substantial new dollar loan by Canada to Britain—of perhaps \$2,500 million to \$3,000 million—now is on the cards."

The Post despatch added: "Such a move is regarded by top officials, who have the whole Sterling problem under close and constant study, as the only ultimate solution to the chronic difficulties faced by the Sterling Area—difficulties of as much concern to Ottawa as to London."

"The loan—if it is made—would be made jointly by Canada and the United States for the sole purpose of enabling Britain to get the Sterling Area banker to get Sterling back."

"It would not be in the nature of a reconstruction loan to Britain as the United States and Canadian loans in 1946 primarily went to the United States."

"General economic conditions will have to be first, and a much healthier economic climate within the Sterling Area will have to be fostered before such a loan can be made in the view of Ottawa officials concerned."

"In the meantime, the Canadian Government is taking a number of measures designed to help ease the immediate Sterling Area's export problem insofar as Canada can help. Chief among these are:

"1. A substantial increase on last year's \$45 million defence buying in the United Kingdom is being worked out."

"2. British participation in the St. Lawrence seaway project."

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Nomination Of Woman Suggested At Chicago

MARGARET SMITH AS VICE-PRESIDENT?

Chicago, July 10.

A move to place the name of Senator Margaret Chase Smith, of Maine, in the nomination as Republican candidate for the post of Vice-President was growing today amid mixed reactions of the women delegates at the convention.

Former Congresswoman Clare Boothe Luce, delegate from Connecticut, has been asked to make the nomination speech but whether she actually will make the nomination was still uncertain.

Mrs. Katharine Murdock, National Committee-woman and Pennsylvania delegate, has also been mentioned as a possible nominator or seconder for Mrs. Smith.

Mrs. Luce, author and wife of publisher Henry Luce, said that she would be delighted to do "everything I can to help along the movement for Mrs. Smith which was started by the National Federation of Business and Professional Women."

"My heavens," Mrs. Luce said, "women have half the votes and much of the control of the country's economy. Why shouldn't there be a lady vice-president?"

Mrs. Luce referred to what she considers a snub to Mrs. Smith by the Republican National Committee. The nation's first elected lady Senator was invited to address the convention only a few days before the opening day and after there had been criticism because she had not been asked to speak.

Mrs. Smith turned down the lady invitation and she does not plan to come to Chicago. She is in Maine with her mother who is seriously ill.

"WONDERFUL IDEA"

"The moment when I felt Bob Taft must be defeated," Mrs. Luce said, "was when I heard that Margaret had not been invited."

Mrs. Sarah Cowan, Maine delegate and Vice-President of the Young Republicans, said that she regarded a woman vice-president as a wonderful idea and she thought that it may be some years before one can be elected.

Mrs. Amy Blandford, New Jersey delegate, doubted that this nation was yet ready for a woman "Veep."

She added, however, that she believed that a woman would "do a wonderful job and wouldn't be subject to pressure from lobbies."

MP's Plan For Gold

London, July 10.

Mr. Richard Stokes, former Labour Minister of Raw Materials, today urged the Government to press for a re-valuation of gold.

He said in the House of Commons that Britain should make the move because more than 75 per cent of the world's gold was produced in the Sterling Area.

Sir Arthur Salter, Minister of State for Economic Affairs, replied that any question of a general re-valuation of gold would have to be decided by the International Monetary Fund.

Then Mr. Stokes asked him, "Are you aware that the reason why the United States will not agree to increase the dollar value in gold is because it might increase Russia's purchasing power?"

"I would remind you that the dollar price of gold is a matter with which the United States is primarily concerned," Sir Arthur replied.

Gold is at present worth US\$35 an ounce and 248 shillings an ounce in Sterling. —Reuter.

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Without Food For 67 Days

Trieste, July 10. The world's fasting record was beaten today by Fakir Balkan. Balkan remained in a cage for 67 days, 10 hours and six minutes without eating. —France-Press.

De Gaulle Planning Coalition

Paris, July 10.

General Charles de Gaulle plans to discuss the possibility of an alliance with the Popular Republican Party (MRP), informed quarters said tonight.

The General, with M. Jacques Soustelle, leader of his parliamentary group, intends to meet M. Georges Bidault and M. Pierre Henri Teitgen, two MRP leaders, in the summer recess, these quarters said.

M. Soustelle was understood to have in view a possible coalition between Gaullists, Popular Republicans and Socialists.

Political observers here are sceptical whether such a coalition, based on a common resistance to the German occupation, could be formed.

The Socialists have already rejected a suggestion of collaboration with General de Gaulle.

Thirteen of 59 Gaullist members of the Council of the Republic (the Upper House) are understood to be planning to quit the Gaullist movement.

Thirty Deputies have already left the Gaullist parliamentary group, reducing its number to 37 and about 70 of these, according to some reports, object to the rules obliging them to vote as instructed by the Gaullist National Council. —Reuter.

Welcome To War Bride

Melbourne, July 10.

A crowd of 50 relatives and friends, laden with gifts, welcomed Australia's first Japanese war bride, petite, charming 23-year-old Cherry Parker, when she arrived here by air from Japan tonight.

With her were her two daughters, three-year-old Margaret and 18-month-old Kath, and the first to greet them was the husband and father, 25-year-old Gordon Parker, who has spent the last four years fighting for permission to bring his family to Australia.

Parker married his Japanese wife six years ago while on service in Japan with the Commonwealth Occupation Forces. —Reuter.

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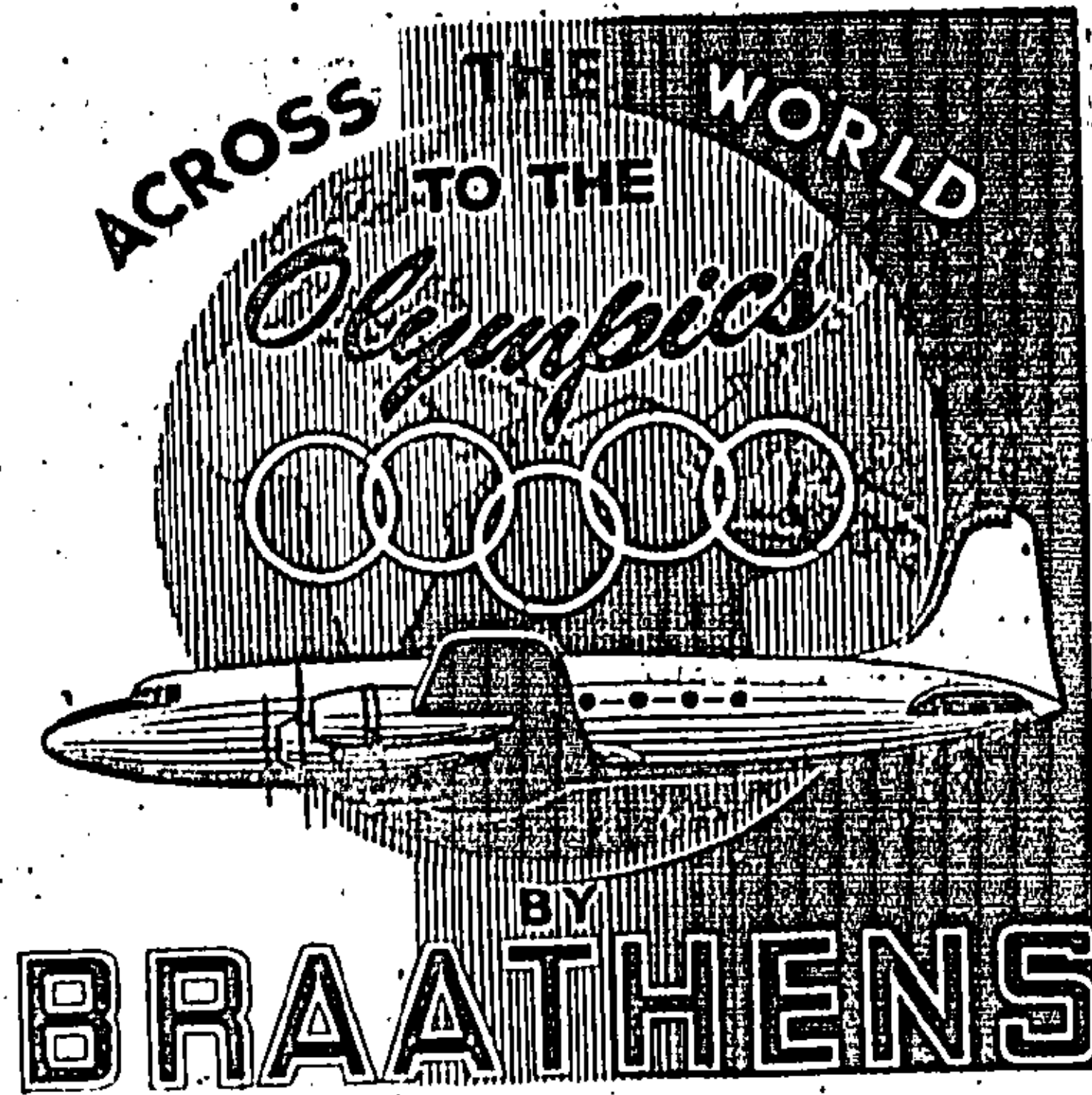
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WHISKY—A BIG MONEY-MAKER

By Raymond Thomasson

Glasgow. THE last of Scotland's most profitable cash crop for the 1951-52 season has just been put by—about 300,000 tons of barley—malted, mashed, fermented and distilled into 30,000,000 gallons of whisky.

When it is about seven or eight years old and mature, it will be earning fabulous sums for Britain as a top money-spinner in the export trade. At Glenkiln Distillery in East Lothian I was just in time to see "Willie" brew the last peck of malt of the season—"Willie" being Mr. William MacPherson, 61-year-old manager of the D.C.L. property. He has been making whisky his business for over 30 years.

In a period of 30 weeks since last September this stalwart Scot and his staff of 23 have been distilling malt whisky at the rate of 5,200 gallons, enough for over 33,000 bottles a week.

Oak Casks

In the by-gone, they obtained some 30,000 gallons of spent wine for fertilizer each week and about 2,000 bushels of draft for cattle-feed, which fattens a prize-winning herd of cattle on the 90-acre home farm and leaves a useful surplus for sale.

Mr. MacPherson has a show-case full of trophies won by his best cattle.

The whisky is put in 110-gallon oak casks to mature in the cool bonded warehouse at Glenkiln, and there are now over 9,000 casks in bond.

Being even more precious to the Exchequer than they are to the distillers, now standing at £10, 10s. 10d. a gallon, the treasure caves are double-locked, the resident Excise-man keeping one key and the producers the other.

Scotland has 97 distilleries producing 97 different whiskies, 91 of them being malt whiskies, like Glenkiln, from old-fashioned pot stills, and the other six being grain whiskies from patent stills which, having the advantage of a continuous process, produce rather more than half the total supply.

Character

EACH of these 97 varieties, from which the blenders make their selection, has its own distinctive character, and I am told there are experts who can identify every one of them by taste.

The most popular theory is that the secret lies in the water. Others think it is in the matting and others argue learnedly about the shape of the copper stills and the angle of the head and neck of these vessels.

But by whatever alchemy the elixir achieves its unique quality, there can be no doubt the finance of whisky is enough to make the head reel.

The 9,000 casks laid down at Glenkiln, each holding enough to fill over 700 bottles, are

worth about £1,200 apiece on the home market.

Only a small proportion of the current supply finds its way there these days, of course, whisky being one of the main props of Britain's export trade.

Out of a total of 14.2 million proof gallons released from bond last year Britain exported 10.6 million gallons—worth £20,584,474. And of this amount the United States drank 2,618,708 proof gallons—paying £18,209,973 in good dollars.

And consider these comparative values: One acre (or one ton) of barley, plus 2 hundredweights of coke, plus 1½ hundredweights of peat, produces 145 gallons of whisky. At about 23 gallons, this fetches roughly £450 on the American market, so that for an outlay of £30 on barley (£10 net cost to the farmer) you get a conversion value of 15 times as much.

Some, of course, would ask, with Canon: "What can we buy one half so precious as the stuff we sell?" But not Mr. MacPherson.

"I never touch it," he says.

ISRAEL IN TURMOIL

Jerusalem. LOOK what is going on around Natanya, a prosperous little town. Or rather you cannot look. For a few miles from Natanya lies what is Israel's most carefully guarded secret and Israel's greatest mystery.

Here in the expanse of former scrub-lands, where years ago I used to watch Bedouins pitch their black goat-skin tents, bankrupt Israel is spending vast sums to build the largest air base in the Middle East.

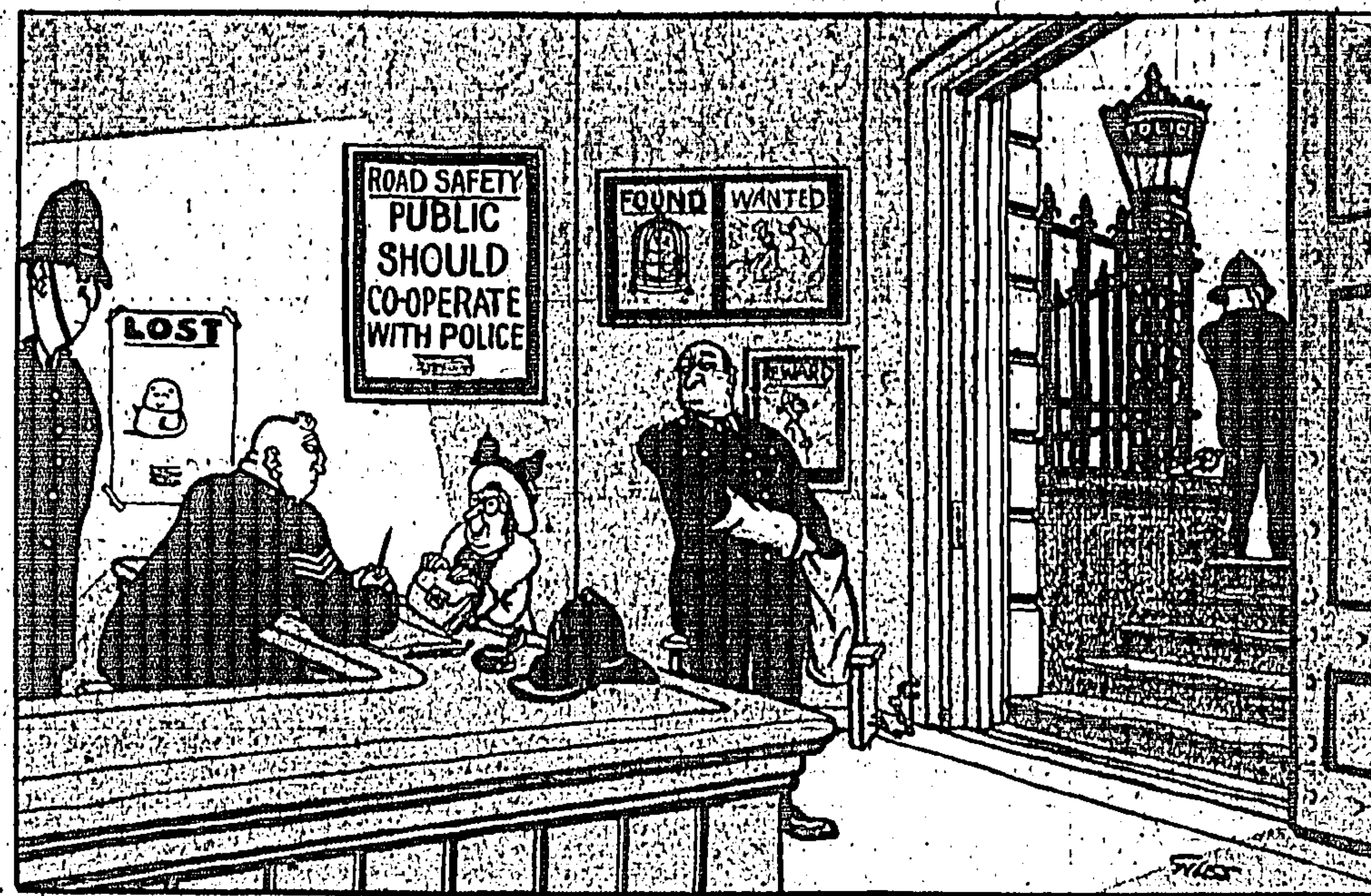
Why? I believe that if you could discover the true motives behind the construction of this base you would have the key to the whole fantastic policy of all-out immigration, all-out industrial expansion, and all-out armament which has brought four-year-old Israel to its present plight.

I say no

GUARDS bar all approaches to the airfield. The strictest taboo stops Israel officials from discussing it.

They would as readily answer questions about the Navy as base as they would talk about Israel's enormous top-secret and top-heavy military budget.

Is the air base wanted for Israel's own immediate defence purposes? Surely not.



"Would it help if I was to report that I have never given a proper signal in my life?"

London Express Service

The Riddle of the Secret Airfield

by SEFTON DELMER

Israel's three Flying Fortresses and a few squadrons of fighters, while quite adequate to take care of any air threat from its Arab neighbours, hardly require miles of concrete runways and complicated signals installations suitable for a fleet of long-range atom-bombers.

Is it just a piece of prestige-mongering by a young State anxious to have all the trappings? It could be. But I don't believe it.

For, in addition to this air base at Natanya, the Israelis are installing an outside aircraft servicing and repair plant at Lydda.

American money and American machinery are building the plant. The ostensible purpose is to save dollars now spent on servicing Israeli aircraft abroad.

The real object is to train a large staff of Israeli engineers and mechanics capable of handling the largest, most modern aircraft.

My theory is that the air base is being prepared as a potential addition to the long chain of American bases stretching along the Mediterranean from Morocco to Turkey.

I believe that in the Natanya air base project and the Lydda plant which works in with it we have an essential clue to the thinking behind Socialist Premier Ben-Gurion's gamble of all-out immigration, all-out armament, and all-out industrial expansion, no matter what the cost.

The policy has reduced Israel to its present state where its Treasury officials have to fly to London and New York desperately seeking loans and grants and where Tel-Aviv wits have conferred on their Finance Minister the title of "Duke of Schnorr-Folk." (Schnorrer is Yiddish for beggar.)

Ben-Gurion's plan is to build up military man-power and industrial and strategic potential to such a point that United States military planners will look on Israel much as they regard Western Germany today.

That means that they will see in Israel (1) a possessor of the strongest, most capable, and most valorous fighting force in the Middle East; (2) a most useful potential repair base and behind-the-front arsenal; and (3) a bastion which is not only indispensable to the West but must on all counts be denied to the Soviet.

Once arrived at this point it will—so the argument goes—be simple for Israel to obtain all the "strategic" dollar aid she needs from the U.S.A.

Advice

THAT prospect is worth the heavy price, and the Israelis have paid it up recklessly. Of the recent hundred million dollars (£35,714,000) Export-Import Bank loan, for instance, more than 90,000,000 dollars (£32,142,000) was spent on military transport.

A similar uneconomic percentage of other loans and grants has been spent on unproductive military equipment or on industrial plant which will not earn its living for a long time yet, but adds dramatically to the country's military potential.

Of this year's Budget, £79,000,000 out of £180 million has been allocated to military and "special" purposes.

Security screening of the Israeli Army to prevent Communists infiltrating is being carried out with American help and advice.

Can Ben-Gurion be right? Will the Americans help Israel out of its present plight? Will they continue to pay the bills this prodigal runs up?

Certainly the State Department and Treasury are questioning the vast amounts of money pumped into Israel since its establishment. They are well aware that per head of population Israel has received a larger share of dollar aid than any other country in the world.

Spoilt

Subscriptions by American Jews to Zionist funds and Israel independence bonds have fallen a long way below the figure hoped for by the sponsors. But the Americans will go on paying all the same.

Not even the fact that Israel, for fear of offending the Soviet overland of 3,000,000 potential immigrants, remains officially neutral in the cold war, will cause America to end support.

The Israelis in their attitude to the West have become rather like spoiled children. They feel that America, in particular, has invested so heavily in establishing Israel that no matter what naughtiness the young State commits the Western world cannot withdraw its benevolent indulgence now for fear of creating chaos in a strategically vital corner of the world.

And make no mistake. As Egypt puts more and more impossible conditions on her participation in a Middle Eastern defence pact and the Arab world backs her up by holding aloof, Israel is cleverly seizing the opportunity to make herself seemingly indispensable to the United States strategists and our own planners.

(London Express Service)

Difference Of Opinion Expressed On Monarch's Role In The Modern State

(FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

London. ONE of the formalities associated with the beginning of a new reign is the settlement of the monarch's income—or, to give it its official name, the Civil List.

The Commons has just been called upon to approve the recommendation of its Select Committee on the Civil List that the Queen should receive £475,000 a year.

This sum, of course, by no means represents the Queen's personal income, to spend as she pleases.

Of the total, £185,000 is earmarked for salaries of the royal household. A further £121,000 will go to meet the various expenses of the Household.

There are, too, provisions for royal bounties, alms, and other special claims on the Crown, and when these and other allowances have been made the Queen is left with a "privy purse" of £20,000.

Even this greatly reduced amount is not wholly available for the Queen's personal spending. Part of it is subject to income tax.

Large though the Civil List may seem, it does, in fact, represent a marked reduction on the rate of royal spending of only a few decades ago. King Edward VII's Civil List was

only £5,000 less, but in those days, it should be remembered, the £ was worth three times what it is today.

There has been very little criticism, therefore, of the actual amount of the Civil List. Arguments for less ceremonial and formality in the public duties of the royal Family have been put forward—but out of consideration for the Queen's health rather than from the point of view of effecting economies.

In has been pointed out that besides being called upon to perform the many arduous duties of state, the Queen has, in addition, the duties of a wife and mother of young children.

More time, some feel, should be devoted to the latter at the expense of the former.

With the unanimous concern that is felt among all her subjects for the Queen's well-being, opinions do differ, however, on the question of the monarch's role in the modern state.

The Socialist Daily Herald, in support of its argument for less ceremonial and formality in the Queen's duties, says that: "The British monarchy is, of course, a symbol, as the unifying symbol in a Commonwealth of free nations. The more it becomes adjusted to modern democratic ideas, the more valuable it will be."

The Times takes a different standpoint. "A monarchy worthy of this country and of the

Commonwealth as a whole," it says, "must keep up the historic dignities of which it is heir, and no amount of cutting down would allow that to be done cheaply."

Both The Times and the Conservative Daily Mail point out that the monarch's duties have increased as the calls of the Commonwealth on the Sovereign have grown.

There are now many overseas statesmen and official visitors to whom audiences must be granted, state papers must be read, direct relations have to be kept up with several British Governments and, as the Mail points out, the Select Committee's report hints at more royal tours.

The Liberal Manchester Guardian, however, believes the beginning of a new reign should be an occasion for some new thinking on the subject of the monarch's duties. Discussing the Civil List, it asks: "Is this not an opportunity to simplify some of the ceremonial and to get rid of some of the snobbery that still clings about the Court?"

This, it adds, is to reflect in no way the Sovereign and her Consort.

"They did not make the customs and the conventions under which they perform their duties," the Guardian points out, "and many must be as ignorant to them as they are distant to the growing number of their subjects."

The paper agrees with the Select Committee that "the colour and pageantry of State occasions, with all their historic associations, are a most precious heritage," but there are other aspects of Court life, it says, "which merely continue traditions of social differentiation and caste exclusiveness."

"These we can dispense with," it declares, "unless, say, we choose to continue presentations at Court for the sake of eager debutantes from the great American democracy."

Apart from supreme occasions, like the Coronation, the state opening of Parliament, the Trooping of the Colour, the visits to the City, and so on, less formality and stiffness would be an advantage, the paper continues.

"The money aspect of all this," it adds, "is not the decisive one, although it is worth considering. The main thing is to make the monarchy a more truly popular institution by relying on affection rather than on formality and display."

But though there may be room for more than one opinion in this restrained controversy, none will disagree with the comment of the middle-of-the-road News Chronicle.

"The public," it says, "which is concerned at the strain to which the Queen is exposed, would welcome any further relief from excessive burdens of state ceremonial."

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Sportsman's Olympic Diary

No Race In Britain For Russian Stars

Organisers of the Highland Games at Edinburgh's great rugby ground, Murrayfield, are enterprising. They invited Russia to send two competitors to their meeting on August 23, but they have received the inevitable "Niet" (No).

It would have been interesting to see what their 5,000 metres man, Popov, could do against our Gordon Pirie over three miles. Popov, I am told, recently did 14 min. 16 sec. for 5,000 metres at Kiev in an Olympic training run.

This time is only a second slower than Pirie's three miles of 13 min. 44.8 sec., and what is more in the field. He could only finish third in 14 min. 22 sec., and both he and Popov were beaten by the crack Russian steeplechaser Kasantsév (14 min. 13.2 sec.). This distance is rather short for Zatopek these days. His events for the Olympics are likely to be the 10,000 metres and the marathon.

ABSENT MEMBERS
Two Hungarian Olympic champions going to Helsinki are members of parliament. They are hammer thrower Imre Nemesi and heavy weight wrestler Gyula Bobis. Both have been elected to the Hungarian National Assembly since they won their Olympic titles in London in 1948.

USA'S BEST EVER

The United States will be sending its strongest ever athletics team to Helsinki if performances in the two days U.S. trials are anything to go by.

In the two days 13 new meeting records were set up in the 18 events, which means that the 1952 U.S. team excelled previous teams in all but five events.

The first three in each event during the trials won a place in the team. Because of this many champions were left out through injury and accidents.

Dick Atlessey, world record holder in the 110 metres high hurdles, missed the team when in a heat he finished last because of a strained leg muscle.

Here is proof that Britain has not been alone in athletic advancement. We have some real hopes for Helsinki but the stupendous task facing our athletes must not be underestimated.

BANNISTER'S CHOICE

There will again be no chance of comparing Britain's 1,500 metres men for the Olympic Games in Saturday's big meeting at the White City.

Roger Bannister, given the option between half and mile, has once more chosen the shorter distance. Len Eyre will tackle the mile, but the AAA mile champion, Bill Nankivell, declines to compete at this stage of his Olympic preparation.

Another champion who will be missing is Chris Chataway, the

three-miler, and 5,000 metres selection for Helsinki.

DORANDO ECHO
Mr. Walter Mabbett, one of athletics top administrators, has died in Birmingham. He was 82. Though he was a life vice-president of the AAA and past president and secretary of the Midlands AAA he will be remembered as one of the judges who disqualified the Italian, Dorando, in the sensational Olympic Marathon in 1908.

It was one of the greatest athletic stories of all time. Dorando, then a London waiter, staggered into the White City stadium, collapsed twice, was helped past the post by his supporters and then disqualified. Queen Alexandra presented him with a consolation cup.

HAPPY FAMILIES
Selection of Alex and Ginette Jany for the French Olympic swimming team means that France joins Britain in having a brother and sister in the Helsinki swimming events. Roy and Jean Bothams, from Manchester, are swimming for Britain.

HOT IN HELSINKI?
If last year's weather is any indication, it will be hot in Helsinki for the Games.

U.S. Davis Cup Team To Play Japan Named

Spring Lake, N.J., July 10. Bill Talbot, American Davis Cup captain for matches with Japan, named himself and 28-year-old Victor Seixus to the United States team to play against Japan. It is expected that Gardner Mulloy also will be named.

Talbot had to announce himself and Seixus earlier than planned, so both can play in the current Spring Lake Invitational without breaking rules which limit players to eight weeks of tournaments. Men of the Davis Cup team can have unlimited play.

The Japan-U.S. matches will be played at Cincinnati on July 25, 26 and 27. Seixus was the American top-ranked player for 1951. Talbot fifth-ranked and Mulloy eighth.—United Press.

Three-way Tie For Regular And Territorial Army Cup

Bisley, July 10.

Three Regular Army warrant officers are to fire a tie shoot to decide who shall hold the Regular and Territorial Army Cup.

The Cup is awarded to the winner of the individual rifle match between 60 members of the Regular Army and 50 of the Territorial Army firing under standardised service conditions.

The three top-scorers, each with 170 out of a possible 200, are Acting Quartermaster Sergeant E. Mitchell, REME, Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant H. Malpas, Small Arms Experimental Establishment, and Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant D.A. Nockles, Royal Army Ordnance Corps.

Mitchell and Malpas were second and third respectively in the Regular Army Championship last week.

Two Territorial officers, Lieutenant J. Goodacre, Bedfordshire Yeomanry, who yesterday won the Territorial Army Championship, and Lieut. J. G. Elford, Cambridge University Training Corps, both scored 177, and will also have a tie shoot to decide who shall

have the cash prize for the top scoring Territorial competitor. The score from this match, together with the total in a similar competition for the Queen Mary Prize, decides the holder of the Territorial Army Championship.—Reuter.

OTHER RESULTS

In the Army Rifle Association meeting at Bisley the following ties were decided last night:

Queen Mary's Prize.—1, CEA R. M. Orr of H.M.S. Excellent; 2, Flying Officer M. Gill, RAF; and Regular D. R. Nockles, RAOC. Runners-up, RMS H. Malpas, Small Arms Experimental Establishment, and Acting Quartermaster Sergeant E. Mitchell, REME.

The Queen's Territorial Army Medal was won by Lieut. J. F. Goodacre, 308 Medium Regiment, Royal Artillery. Runners-up were Second-Lieut. T. Elford and Pte R. J. Tellow, both attached to the Cambridge University Training Corps.—Reuter.

Japan Will Reopen The Butterfly Controversy

By Millie Hudson

The voice of the Japanese swimming delegate will be heard immediately on his being admitted to the International Olympic Committee after an enforced silence since the war.

At his first meeting, to be held during the XVth Olympiad in Helsinki in July, he is to reopen the controversial question of the butterfly and orthodox breaststroke. His vote will go for a separate race for each stroke in future.

The matter was thoroughly discussed at the 1948 meeting, but several English-speaking delegates were not satisfied with the interpretation given in the translation of the minutes. So the matter was postponed until 1952.

ENGLISH BACKING
If he wins—and he will have English backing among others—the orthodox breast stroke will probably be over the 200 metres event at present on the programme for men and women. The butterfly would best be over 100 metres.

Whereas men have now comfortably mastered the strenuous butterfly stroke over the longer distance, women have so far failed. Those who are faster on it over 100 yards or metres, have not invariably acquired a sufficiently supple or relaxed shoulder action to continue. Or they have not achieved a perfect rhythmic timing for this tricky stroke.

The crawl stroke was found, as difficult as many when first introduced. Now it is done over any distance, even in races across the Channel.

ANOTHER IDEA
Another idea, I think, would be for the Olympic programme distances of breast-stroke and back-stroke to be exchanged, even if only for women. Then orthodox, or butterfly could still be optional, but over 100 metres, and the back-stroke held over a 200 metres course.

This would suit those opposed to having two events for breast-stroke, as they do not wish the Olympic programme to be lengthened.

This is an important point, considering it has more or less been decided to include a medley team relay (3 x 100 metres of back, breast and free-styles).

The Americans are keen also to include water ballets, to be judged on points rather like diving.—(London Express Service)

MOCKRIDGE TO COMPETE AT HELSINKI

London, July 10.

Russell Mockridge, who was not included in the Australian Olympic cycling team because he refused to sign a bond to remain an amateur for two years after the Games, will after all compete at Helsinki.

He has been nominated by cable for the 1,000-metre time trial, according to Mr. W.J.T. Uren, Australia general team manager.

The decision to send Mockridge's nomination to Helsinki followed a telephone conversation between the cyclist and Mr. E.L. Purnell, Mayor of his home town of Geelong, Victoria, who agreed to provide the £600 penalty should Mockridge turn professional within two years of the Games.

Mr. Uren said the Australian Olympic Federation had decided that in view of the special circumstances of Mockridge's case, the two years' bond would be reduced to 12 months.

Favourite for the Olympic sprint is the world amateur sprint champion, Enzo Sacchi of Italy, over whom Mockridge had a recent victory.—Reuter.

Spotlight On The Olympic Games

THE HILDRETH FAMILY PLAN A HELSINKI REUNION

By HAROLD PALMER

Two thrilled and hopeful parents will have a reunion in rather dramatic circumstances in Helsinki this month. The father, W. R. Hildreth, will be flying from Calcutta, where he is a clearing agent. He hopes to get a seat on the aeroplane by which the Indian hockey team traveled to the Olympic Games.

Mother sets out from Wimbledon on July 14, driving by car with friends via Dover, Ostend, Arnhem, Hamburg, Copenhagen and Stockholm, to Helsinki.

Father is hoping that his son Peter will have better luck than he did in the Olympic Games. He recalls sadly his experience in Paris in 1924 when he was picked for the 200 metres. Most of his running has been done in India. In fact it was only a few years ago that Eric Phillips beat his 220 yards Indian record of 22.2 sec.

Hildreth senior tore a muscle running on cinders for the first time when training in Paris. He tried to run in his heat but failed.

HIGH JUMP RECORD

Peter Hildreth joined his father in India during the war. When he came back he went to Ratcliffe School, Leicester, did a record 5 ft. 4 in. high jump, and made the school cricket and hockey teams.

Last year he won the high hurdles for Cambridge in the university sports in 15.3 sec. Muscle trouble restricts his training but he has done a lot of work this year and the improvement he showed in equalling the British record with 14.4 sec. in the championship surprised him much less than it did most people.

"Some of the experts asked me earlier in the season what my target was," Hildreth told me. "And they laughed when I said 14.4 sec."

So Hildreth sets himself an even harder target because he is determined to go on improving. He is self-taught. During two seasons in which he had little success he found out mistakes by trial and error. He admits to avoiding coaches now. "I would not enjoy it so much if someone were telling me how to train," he says.

After giving up a job in a big London store because it entailed standing around on Saturday mornings, Hildreth has been looking for a post for some time. He starts a temporary job with the British Olympic Association on Monday. Next September he plans to begin a career in hospital administration.

The club with the biggest interest in the Olympic Games will surely be Polytechnic Harriers. Hildreth is only one of nearly 20 Poly members likely to be competing at Helsinki.

They have four first claim men in the British team—McDonald Bailey, the sprint champion, Brian Shenton, his chief rival, Ron Pavitt, the high jump champion, and Hildreth.

Then there are four who are second claim members—quartermiler Terry Higgins (Herne Hill) hurdler Jack Parker (S. London Harriers) steeplechase champion John Diley (London AC), and his chief rival, Chris Brasher (Achilles).

TWO MORE CHAMPIONS

Other Poly members who will be taking part include two more British champions—Arthur Wint, who will be running for Jamaica, and Nigerian long jumper, Sylvanus Williams.

Another Jamaican who is a Poly member is Les Laing, the sprinter, and the Nigerian Bill Laing is another.

Lilikas, the Estonian, who showed excellent form in this country and won the five-mile title in 1949, is still a member of the Poly, and I am told that he is likely to be picked by Canada.

—(London Express Service)

Johnny Williams To Fight In United States

Newark, New Jersey, July 10.

Johnny Williams, British and British Empire Heavyweight Boxing Champion, will have his first fight in the United States on July 22, it was announced here today.

His opponent will be Jimmy Russo (Albany, New York). The fight will be held over eight rounds in Newark. Russo has been fighting professionally for just over two years.—Reuter.

TODAY'S SPORT

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OLYMPIC TRUCE DECLARED AT HELSINKI

Helsinki, July 10.

In blazing heat at Helsinki Stadium today, Mr. Erik Von Frenckell, Chairman of the Olympic Games' Organising Committee, made the classical declaration of an Olympic truce for the period of the Olympic Games, opening in nine days' time.

As he spoke in the shade of the canopy of the main stand, workmen, putting the finishing touches to the Stadium, sprayed each other with hoses to keep cool. There was only a handful of journalists, lost in the vastness of the Stadium, to witness the five-minute ceremony.

Mr. Von Frenckell declared that enmity, war and drawn weapons were remote from the consecrated fire at Olympia in the days of the Grecian Games, and before the fire was lit on the altar a truce of God was announced in Greece.

The Olympic Games, the greatest athletic festival of modern times, he added, should be held in an atmosphere of international understanding with the same ancient friendly spirit prevailing.

Mr. Frenckell made his speech in French, English, Finnish and Swedish.

Early arrivals have found one difficulty in getting a good night's rest. Darkness hardly occurs here at this time of the year, and dawn begins about midnight. Communist camp at Olanien, the Russians have fitted blackout boardings to the windows to help their athletes sleep.—Reuter.

"RUSSIAN PRESSURE"

Helsinki, July 10.

The Chairman of the China Olympic Committee arrived in Helsinki today and set the stage for an East-West political battle during the Olympic Games.

Mr. Gungun Hui, Director of the Physical Education Section of the Chiang Kai-shek Government, reached Helsinki early this morning after an eight-day plane trip from Formosa and immediately charged that attempts to exclude Nationalist China from the Olympics were "just a political affair."

He told United Press that "Russia put pressure on Finland to have our invitation withdrawn." It is part of the cold war and should be no part of the Olympic Games.

Earlier reports from Lausanne said that the Communist Chinese Government had protested similarly to the Secretary of the International Olympic Committee and Helsinki newspapers reported that Red China basketball team was on its way to Finland, demanding the right to compete.

WILL PROTEST

The Nationalist China Olympic official, who has acted as leader for Chinese teams to two previous Olympic Games, said that he would appear before a six-man Olympic Executive Committee on July 15 and 16 to protest the withdrawal of his country's invitation.

He said that if he gets no action there he will go before a plenary session on the 17th and 18th.

He displayed papers showing that as China's official Olympic Committee member he received his country's invitation on June 20, 1951, and followed instructions completely.

Earlier reports from Taipei said that Nationalist China had decided to boycott the Games last winter because of Russian participation, but after Communist China's application to take part at Helsinki had been turned down they reconsidered their decision and went ahead with preparations for participation.

The President of the Olympics Committee, Mr. J. Sigfrid Edstrom (Sweden), recently rejected a formal Communist Chinese demand for accreditation, stating that neither team could be accredited until the IOC decided which was the rightful Olympic Committee.—United Press.

TOUR DE FRANCE

Perpignan, France, July 10. Georges Decaux, of the French Paris regional team, won the 15th lap of the 39th Tour de France, run over 255 kilometres from Avignon to here, today.—United Press.



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Attorney Charges That MacArthur Broke Hatch Act

Washington, July 10.

Attorney Harrison Mann today formally charged General Douglas MacArthur with violating the Hatch Act in delivering the keynote speech at the Republican National Convention on Monday.

Mr Mann, a former Arlington, Virginia, Democratic Committee Chairman, called on the United States Civil Service Commission to enforce the law which bars Federal employees from taking part in any political activity.

"Equality before the law is a fundamental American principle," he told the Commission in a letter dated Wednesday, "and General MacArthur should not be permitted to address political gatherings in contempt of the law because he is a five-star General while the little fellow is denied the same right."

Mr Mann said that General MacArthur was fully advised on June 17 that the exception was made because, although, on active duty General MacArthur was without a specific assignment.

Mr Mann said, however, that the Armed Services had repeatedly issued directives admonishing their personnel to comply with the Hatch Act.

Mr Mann wrote, "The eyes of every Federal employee will be turned on the Commission to see whether it has one law and one set of prohibitive interpretations for them and one for MacArthur."

He hoped that the Commission would eventually revise its rule to let all Federal workers exercise their political rights on a local level.

Meanwhile, he said, the Commission must do one of four things—apply the law; avoid the issue on the lack of responsibility for enforcement; devise "administrative exemption" for keynote speakers or for military men or high officers; or interpret its rules to let all Government workers take part in politics on a local level.—United Press.

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"SANGOLA"	21st July	from Japan for Singapore, Penang, Hongkong & Calcutta
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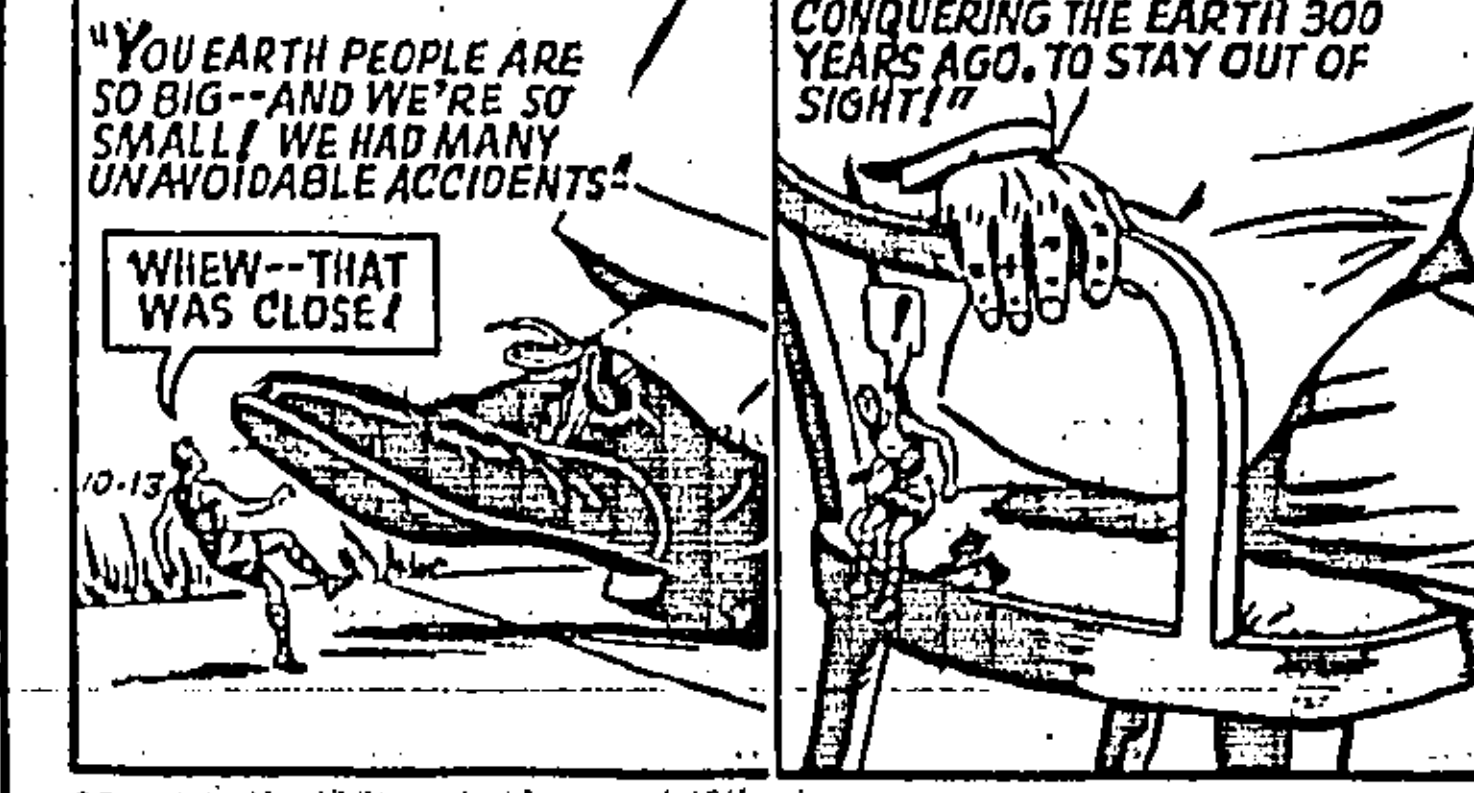
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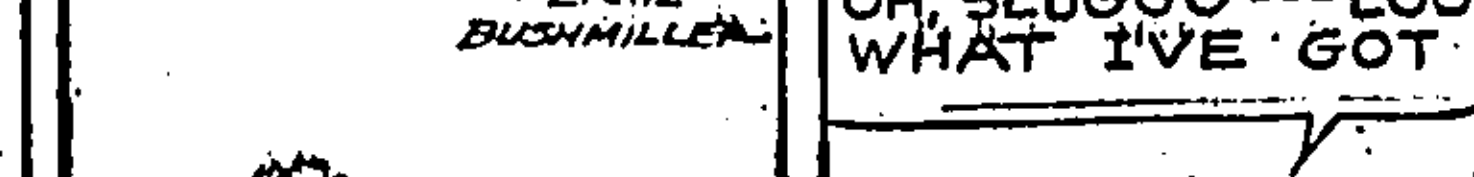
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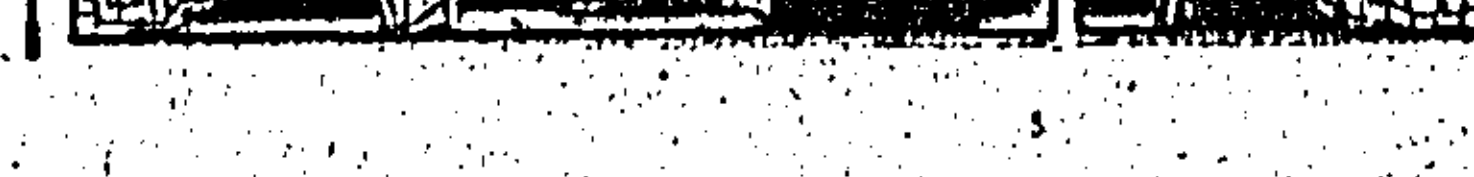
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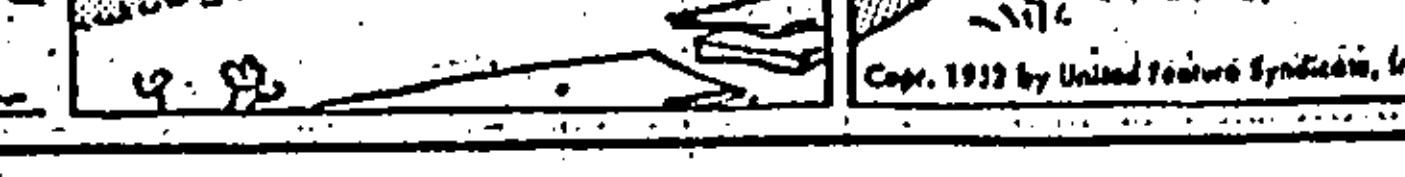
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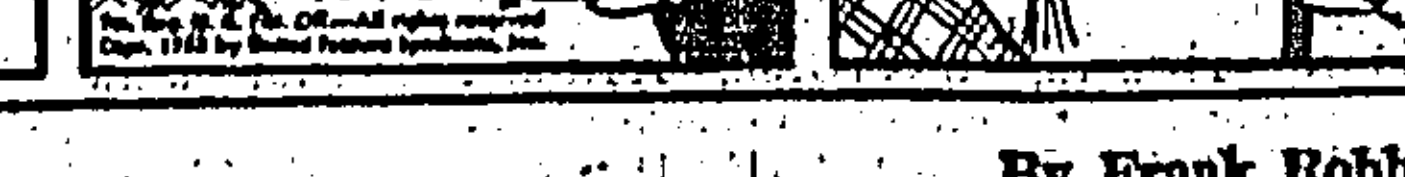
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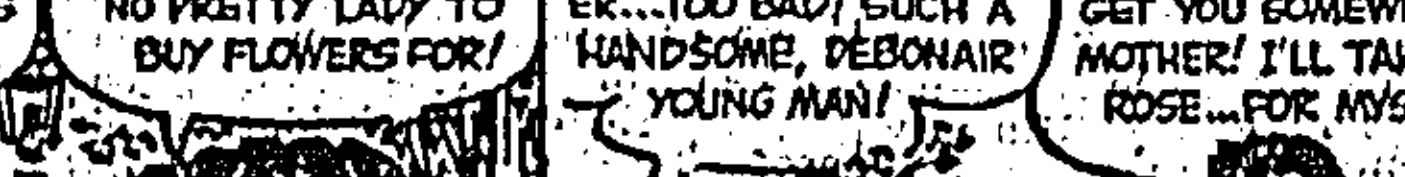
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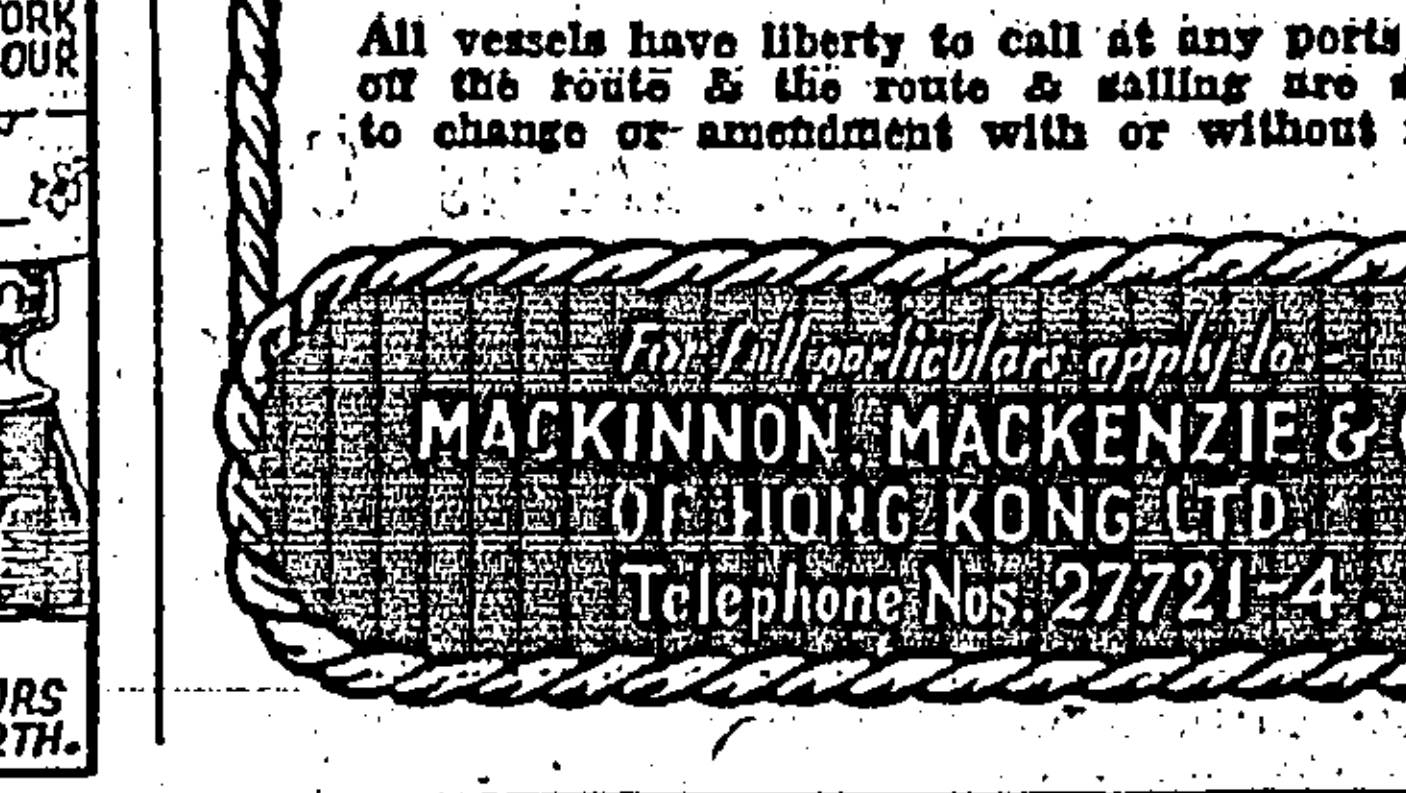
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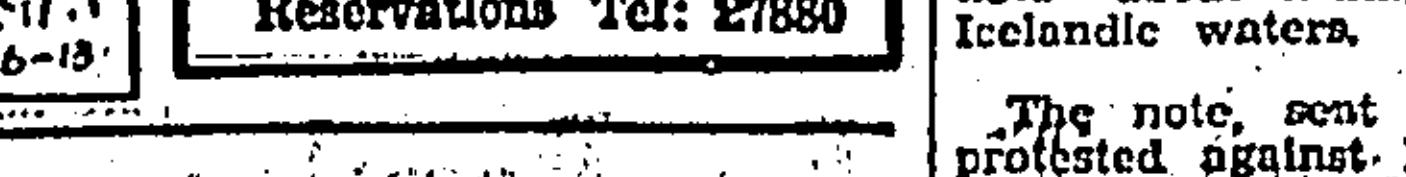
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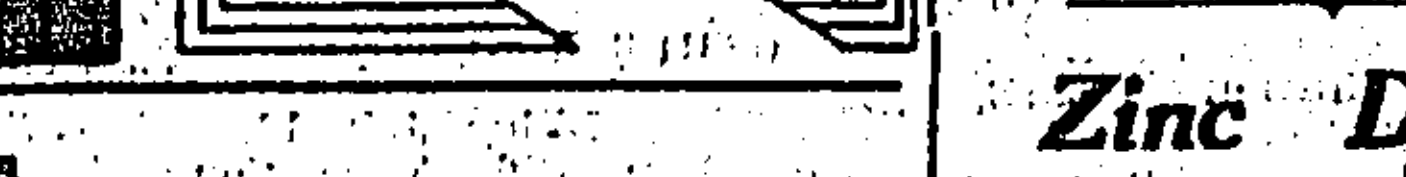
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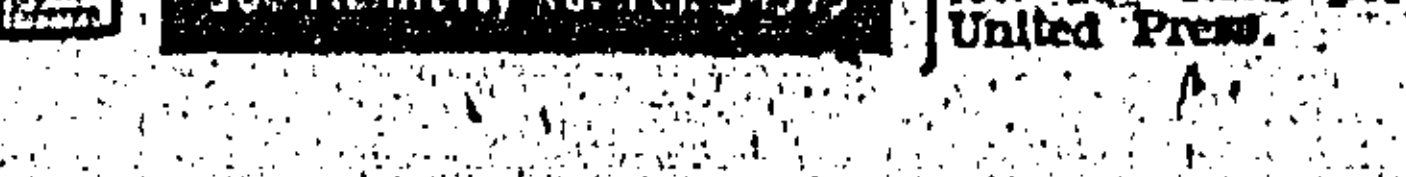
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COLONIAL DEVELOPMENT

Slow Spending Of Welfare Act Grants

Detailed Figures Given In The House Of Commons

London, July 10.

Of the £120 millions voted originally under the Colonial Development and Welfare Act of 1946, and the supplementary £20 millions voted two years ago, the total money actually issued for approved schemes up till March 31 this year was £56,346,571.

How slowly the money has been expended is shown by the fact that in the six years of C. D. and W. operation, the past year's expenditure of £14,470,682 was the largest of any year since 1946-47.

Another £79 millions for approved schemes have been allotted, either to territories or for general research affecting colonies.

Oil Shortage Overcome

Washington, July 10. The Secretary of the Interior, Oscar Chapman, says the worst of the oil shortage caused by loss of Iranian supplies last year has been overcome.

He made the statement yesterday in announcing termination of a programme under which 10 U.S. oil companies operating in foreign countries have co-operated to supply defence-necessary petroleum to friendly foreign nations. Associated Press.

Trade Ban Not To Be Lifted

Japanese Plan For Red China Deal

Tokyo, July 10.

The United States has informally refused to consent to a Japanese plan for partial slackening of the current curb on its trade with Red China, American Embassy circles indicated today.

The same circles said that the United States Government might convene a conference of free nations in Washington in the future to establish a joint overall trade policy towards the Communist countries.

The Japanese Government had repeatedly sought American consent to its plan to lift restrictions on five non-strategic items to Red China.

Washington, through its Embassy here, replied to the Japanese Government that the matter could not be decided between the United States and Japan alone, but was to be jointly agreed upon by the free nations which were enforcing a trade embargo against the Communist countries. — France-Press.

HOPE TO ACT

Tokyo, July 10.

Kyodo News Agency quoted the Japanese Foreign Office today as saying it was unofficially notified by the United States that free nations of the world hope to act in concert with one another on adjusting trade with Communist countries.

The news agency said the notification was made as a reply to the Japanese Government request to exclude from the contraband list five items of exports in trading with Red China.

Under the circumstances, the Japanese Government is negotiating with the United States to start talks among the countries concerned as early as possible, Kyodo said.

However, it is uncertain whether the United States will call the countries to an international conference or conduct separate negotiations, the news agency added.

Furthermore, Kyodo said, it is possible for Japan to expect an alleviation of the restriction on trade with Communist China because it is enforcing stricter controls on Red China than other nations. — Associated Press.

Burmese Rice For The PI

Manila, July 10.

Eight thousand five hundred tons of rice from Burma—the first shipment to offset a shortage here—arrived today aboard the Japanese s.s. Daiaku Maru.

The rice is part of a consignment of 30,000 tons contracted by the National Rice and Corn Corporation with the Republic Mercantile Corporation, a private Philippine firm, to help avert this year's estimated shortage of 140,000 tons.

Other shipments, from Rangoon and Bangkok, are expected to reach Manila this month.

A congressional Committee of Inquiry blamed the shortage partly on seasonal reverses, and negligence on the part of Government procurement agencies. — Associated Press.

New York, July 10. Copra was quoted today at \$130 per short ton, nominal. Coconut oil was quoted at 10 1/2 cents a pound, nominal. — United Press.

The intention of the Act was provision for ten years intensive development, ending in 1956. Shortage of materials and of men, however, contributed right at the start to delays in proceeding with schemes, and a troubled country like Malaya, of course, has been further hampered in development work. Some colonies have now dropped the 10-year formula.

Questions are now being asked about the future rate of spending of C. D. and W. funds, and the suggestion is made in "The Times" editorial columns that "a further small grant towards the reserves should be made before 1956." It is time, the paper says, to realise that development plans cannot be measured in terms of years; that a term cannot be set to the disbursement of funds under the Act.

A point of interest arises in connection with the £20 millions supplementary made to C. D. and W. funds under the 1950 Act. When that was approved the policy was accepted of precedence for schemes likely to bring economic benefit to the colonies.

It is questioned whether in that respect the C. D. and W. funds are duplicating the much more publicised activities of the Colonial Development Corporation. "The Times" sums up the position by pointing out that "in general the policy is to restrict them (C. D. and W. funds) to basic economic necessities, such as building roads or draining swamps, which, while they will prove an asset to the colony's economic advancement, in general will never pay an investor's dividend. Private enterprise, or the Colonial Development Corporation for that matter, can then build upon these basic services."

IDEAL PATTERN

Commenting also on the differences between C. D. and W. operations and those of C. D. C., the Daily Telegraph says: "If the Fund is so much happier with its hundreds of schemes than the Corporation with its 53, that is because the former is directly managed by the various Colonial Governments, while the latter is run from London."

The Telegraph continues: "The pattern to be aimed at is a tight partnership in which the British Government draws the blueprint of development and Colonial authorities provide the local management; while private enterprise (American as well as British) helps public funds to build upon these foundations. For this pattern to be realised, full information about local conditions must be known and handled. It would, for example, be disastrous to overlook the economy of a colony with schemes for which the local labour supply was manifestly insufficient."

"Again, the local political conditions must be such as to afford some degree of confidence that the money of the British taxpayer or of the foreign investor will not one day be expropriated. Lastly, it should be realised that, as a general rule, the development of Colonial territories depends upon the proved skill and enterprise of the local peasantry rather than upon the substitution of a sort of industrialised agriculture."

DETAILS REVEALED

Details of the amounts being contributed under C. D. and W. Acts to the different territories were given in the Return of Schemes presented to the House of Commons. The catalogue of these schemes ranges from grants for broadcasting in the Falkland Islands to provision of a teacher for Tristan da Cunha; from investigation of coal deposits in Borneo to millions for general educational and agricultural development in the largest colony, Nigeria.

Of last year's total spending of over £14 millions, over £13 millions was for development and welfare, and over £1 million for research.

New grants for development were made during the year to the total of £10,003,204, approximately £2,000,000 of which is allocated for water supplies, £3,000,000 for agriculture, and £2,150,000 for construction. The sum of £2,000,000 was granted for research, at which £273,700 is for agriculture, and £1,900,000 for medicine.

Large sums have been provided for the West African territories; £160,000 for road development in the Cameroons under the U. K. Trusteeship; £32,254 for the University College, Ibadan; £43,103 for animal husbandry in Sierra Leone; £41,740 for health centres at York and Waterloo in Sierra Leone; £1,007,801 for medical and health schemes and £1,049,332 towards the cost of agricultural development in Nigeria.

HK UNIVERSITY

East Africa receives £202,500 for Makerere College to provide for staff housing, an arts block and materials for other buildings; £150,000 for a Technical College at Nairobi to serve all East African territories; £152,500 for the development and maintenance of meteorological services; and £200,000 from development and research funds for itself and trypanosomiasis reclamation schemes. Grants of £52,500 and £150,000 are made to Nyasaland for geological survey work and for a survey of the Shire Valley development project. Mauritius receives £715,000 towards the cost of hydro-electric works.

The University of Hongkong benefits by the provision of £200,000 for the rehabilitation and development of buildings, including the erection and equipment of a school of engineering and architecture. Sarawak receives £21,551 to continue the reconstruction of Kuching airfield and £127,844 for the construction of roads and bridges.

The West Indies will also benefit by the provision of large sums: £140,000 for nurses' quarters for the University College Teaching Hospital, £80,550 for the construction of an obstetric ward in the same institution, and £255,000 for Eastern Caribbean Farm Institute. The sum of £22,807 is granted for cocoa development in British Guiana and £418,220 for road development in British Honduras. Dominica receives £49,000 for survey and soil conservation work and St. Vincent £31,530 to continue experimental work on mixed farming. — London Express Service.

Quiet Trading In Grains

Chicago, July 10.

Grain futures joined the major commodities in quiet trading. Wheat closed 1/4 to 1 1/2 lower and soybeans were 3/4 higher to 1 1/4 lower. Prices closed today as follows:

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

In The Henley Pink

Henley.
A woman going to Henley with a dyed-in-the-wool rowing man, must go in apprehension until she knows for sure what particular shades of dyed wool it is going to be his whim to wear to the Royal Regatta.
How can she hope not to clash with her uninhibited escort if he wears, as I saw some men wearing, pink tie and pink socks, white flannel trousers and brass-buttoned blue blazer with red in its trimming, the whole crowned with a schoolboy-type cap of violent mustard yellow?
Pink, crushed-strawberry pink, is the colour all rowing men crave the right to wear. It is the colour of the exclusive Leander Club, and every man with the right to do so puts it on. Old, old men with scarlet faces who look aged enough to have swum in the Hellespont with Leander himself, put on little pink caps, and hoist their flannels above the ankle so you may see they wear the colour from top to toe and have the right socks on.

The Henley programmes have pink covers; victory badges are pink; and the medals are gold on a pink background behind the enclosure is the correct Leander shade of pink, too.

I WALKED about the lovely lawns of the Stewards' enclosure among the bishops dressed like birds of paradise and the lordly schoolboys, and watched the rowing mothers and sisters and fiancées and wives parading with their men. And the men all had roving eyes, not for other women, of course, but for men they had been boys in a boat with five or 50 years ago. As a glorified 90-hour Old Boys' Day, Henley is a riot.

The scene is Edwardian. The parties of pint-sized boys eating strawberries in punts; the straw-bowers with their broad, garish hats; the decorous applause; the drawled banalities cried out to encourage sweating it out up the 1 mile 530 yards course ("gruelling, uphill all the way," the oarsmen say) belong to an age less urgent than this.

BUT the organisation is as superbly slick as an American.

can revive, and before one heat has completed the course, another has set out, and from absurd little wooden islands set up in mid-river, young men (pink-capped naturally) give running commentaries of each race's progress in unharmed, authentic voices.

I followed one heat down the course in the umpire's launch, and sitting next to a rowing mother, I suffered with her all the agonies of the eight minutes the race lasted. Her son was in the losing boat, and when the race was over said: "Sometimes I think that if all the parents were here and felt like I do, the crew would pass the finishing post as orphans."

I WALKED from the enclosure to the towpath, where you may watch all the racing free with only a minor risk of being run down by perspiring coaches on bicycles. And there, among the family parties, I met a man who sat alone and was, I think, the happiest man along all that river. His name was Charles Henry Grainger, and he had come to the regatta, as he did each day, from his home in Gunnersbury Park.

Grainger learned to love rowing in a regimental boat as a regular soldier before the 1914-18 war. Now, lean, tall, grey, retired, he spends what spare time he has when he is not busy coaching young people at tennis, or playing bowls, or tending his garden, in watching rowing crews at work on London's tideway, and visiting old regattas that are within range of his slender, pensioned purse.

"ROWING'S the cleanest sport there is," he said, "and a rowing eight is one of the finest sights in the world, and all this (he waved his hand towards the busy river) seems to keep up the old English tradition, doesn't it?"

He looked with pleasure on the passing crews, with pleasure and without envy. He had not complained when in his own prime as an oarsman, his right arm was shot off on the Somme, and his rowing career abruptly ended. He had learned tennis instead. He had no complaints now. He was the completely happy man. He always had been.

Big Four Talks Proposal

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second step would be the holding of these elections.
"In regard to the first step, the Government proposed in their Note of May 13 that an impartial commission should determine whether there exist throughout Germany the conditions necessary for the holding of free elections."

"It is not clear to the Government whether the Soviet Government consider that the commission should be composed of representatives of the four Powers or merely that the four Powers should agree on its composition, and the Government would be pleased to receive clarification on this point."

"The Government consider that if the commission is to carry out its work effectively, it should be composed of impartial members, should not be subject to veto or control by the four Powers, and should be empowered to go freely into all parts of Germany and investigate conditions bearing on the possibility of holding free elections."

"In regard to the second step, the Government similarly proposed that as soon as the commission's report was ready there should be a meeting of representatives of the United States, French, Soviet and British Governments to discuss the early holding of free elections throughout Germany, including the creation where necessary of appropriate conditions."

"The Government maintain this proposal, to which the Soviet Government have not yet replied."

"The Government further proposed to examine at this same meeting the assurances to be given by the four Powers that the all-German government formed as the result of these elections will have the necessary freedom of action during the period before the peace treaty comes into effect."

"It is the understanding of the Soviet Government that the only concrete proposal envisaged by the Soviet Government must be guided by the Potsdam decisions.
An arrangement of this kind would revive a system of control which proved to be impracticable and would moreover ignore the whole evolution of events in Germany in recent years.
The Government also observe, with concern, that while the Soviet Government in its Notes repeatedly reaffirms its desire for the unification of Germany, it has recently adopted without any justification a series of measures in the Soviet zone and in Berlin which tend to prevent all contact between the Germans living in the territory under Soviet occupation and the 3,000,000 Germans in the Federal Republic and in the Western sectors of Berlin. These measures aggravate the arbitrary division of Germany."

FREE ASSOCIATION

"The Government wish to emphasise that the agreements recently signed with the Federal Republic open up to Germany a wide and free association with the other nations of Europe."

"Furthermore, these agreements reaffirm the determination of the three Powers and the Federal Republic to promote the unification of Germany and expressly reserve the rights of the three Powers relating to a peace settlement, a peace settlement for the whole of Germany to be freely negotiated between the four Powers and the all-German government."

"In order to avoid further delay, the three governments, after consultation with the German Federal Government and the German authorities in Berlin, propose that there should be an early meeting of representatives of the four Governments, provided it is understood that the four Governments are in favour of free elections throughout Germany as described in the present Note and of the participation of a free all-German government in the negotiation of a German peace treaty."

"The purpose of this meeting would be to reach agreement on the first question, which must be settled if further progress is to be made, namely, the composition and functions of the commission of investigation to determine whether the conditions necessary for free elections exist."

"In order that free elections can be held it will also be necessary to reach agreement on the programme for the for-

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Yes, he's a darling, but will you sign a contract stating you're the one who gets up early and takes him for a walk?"

Eisenhower Expected To Win

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the general is only 26 votes out of the 400 possible.
General Eisenhower jumped into lead last night when convention delegates, overruling the National and Credentials Committees voted for him in his fight with Senator Taft for the contested Texas and Georgia delegations. He is expected to pull further ahead with the help of favourite-son States and delegates as yet not officially committed, among them those from Michigan.

The Taft forces were annoyed with Governor Thomas Dewey of New York as a result of last night's defeat in the Georgia delegate vote. Dewey, Georgia's campaign manager, said: "We had a perfectly clearcut, legal case, but Dewey was dictating the Eisenhower operation."
He said the "railroading" done by the Dewey "machine" generated new bitterness between the Eisenhower camps, hurting the general and helping the Senator.

He said there was "so much opposition to Dewey" in the Middle West and Rocky Mountain regions that Taft had picked up some more votes since last night. But the Eisenhower people said they were getting more and more votes.
Delegate groups trooped into the general's headquarters. Eisenhower personally asked no promises, but his aides were digging for everything they could line up.

RAISES ESTIMATE

Governor Theodore McKeldin of Maryland raised his estimate of how many first ballot votes Eisenhower would get from the 24-member Maryland delegation. He had claimed only 18 for Eisenhower previously, with six going to Taft, but now said the State's votes would go "almost unanimously" to the general.

Mr McKeldin, General Eisenhower's nominator, is being talked of as a possible vice-presidential nominee. Asked about it, he said: "Any American would be proud to run as vice-president with Eisenhower."

Both sides intensified the scramble for votes. Governor Warren's floor manager, Senator Knowland, claims the Governor will pick up strength after the first-ballot vote between Taft and Eisenhower. Mr Warren has 77 first-ballot votes, California's 70, six from Wisconsin and one from Georgia. Senator Knowland denied reports of a move to throw the bulk of California's votes to Eisenhower and said: "There have been no deals and there will be none."—United Press.

mation of an all-German government.
The Government, therefore, repeat their proposal for the discussion of these further important issues by representatives of the four Powers. When such agreement is reached it will then be possible to proceed to the unification of Germany."—Reuter.

Too Much For Father!

Portland, Maine, July 10.

They put Silas Pinkham to bed in hospital today—right next to his wife, and the mother of three-year-old quadruplets.

Their birth had been just too much for the father.

"The shock of having four babies all at once and carrying on his daily work has been too much for him," said Dr Stanley Rowe.

Pinkham is suffering from nervous exhaustion. His 35-year-old wife, who gave birth to the quadruplets on Monday without anaesthesia, is doing so well that she is expected to be released from hospital early next week.—United Press.

HK Skilled Workers For Singapore

Singapore, July 10.

Two hundred skilled weavers and technicians from Hongkong will help train about 450 Singapore workers to run the colony's first textile mill to be opened with joint Hongkong-Singapore capital.

Two hundred spinning machines from the United States and Japan and engines from Britain and Europe are due to arrive next month. The plant, under the name of Malayan Textile Mills Ltd., is expected to begin production early in October.

Chua Thiam Teck, a director of the firm, said the mill will be turning out 3,000 bales of yarn a month initially. Later textiles will be produced.
Of the six directors, four are from Hongkong. They are C. C. Lee, Chairman of a spinning concern in Hongkong; D. C. Lee, manager of the China Insurance Company; K. F. Hui and Lee Nai-wai.—Associated Press.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.
8. Programme Summary: 8.02, Broadsheet for Schools "Working Together"; 8.20, New Concert Orchestra; 8.30, Cantonese Radio given by Miss Lee Wai-lan; 8.40, R. Lee (Studio); 8.50, Interlude; 9.00, Time for Music. The BBC Scottish Variety Orchestra (BBC) with Janetta Schandera (Soprano) conducted by Kemlo (Stephen); 9.30, Saluting Johann Strauss; 9.40, Weather Report; 9.50, Time Signal; 10.00, News and News Talk (London Relay); 10.10, Martin Gould and his Orchestra; 10.20, Come into the Parlour. Music and songs from Northern Ireland (BBC); 10.30, Radio given by Miss Lee Wai-lan; 10.40, 10.45, Pickles in "Avenue Road" (BBC); 10.50, A Year in Verse; written and produced by G. G. Bridson; 10.55, Orchestral Selections; 11.00, News Head (London Relay); 11.10, Goodnight Music; 11.20, Weather Report; 11.30, Save The Queen; 11.40, Close Down.

JUDGMENTS GIVEN IN FAVOUR OF TWO PLAINTIFFS

Judgment for the plaintiff was given by Mr Justice Reece in the Summary Court this morning in an action in which Chiu Chan-fu, alias Chiu Wing sought to recover from Cheung Hok-ming, trading as Cheung Tim Hing firm, possession of the first floor of premises situated at New Kowloon Survey District No. 1, known as No. 2 Kai Tak Sun Tsun.

Mr I.W. Gunter appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr M.E. Ives for the defendant.

Plaintiff bought a piece of land from Lau Wal-hong, and at the time of purchase there was a hut on it made of sand-brick with a concrete roof, and this was occupied by the defendant. It was agreed that defendant should continue to occupy the hut on payment of \$40 a month.

Some time in April, 1951, plaintiff decided to add an additional floor to the hut and claimed the defendant agreed to carry out the construction work for \$800-odd. When the work was completed, plaintiff's niece and son occupied part of the new floor while the defendant was permitted to occupy the remaining unoccupied portion temporarily. Subsequently a dispute arose, and plaintiff requested the defendant to quit.

Defendant claimed he was the lessee of the lot for a period of 10 years under an agreement between Lau Wal-hong and himself. He further claimed the hut belonged to him and that he added a further storey himself and not to plaintiff's request, as alleged. He also said he permitted plaintiff's son, who was sick, to use the new floor without payment.

In his judgment, Mr Justice Reece found that defendant was not entitled to the use of the first floor, and ordered him to remove therefrom any property he might now have there and give up possession within 15 days. His Lordship further ordered defendant to pay plaintiff \$50 by way of damages to the plaintiff and to pay the costs of the action.

SECOND CASE

Judgment for the plaintiff for vacant possession of the ground floor of No. 36 Java Street was given by Mr Justice Reece at the Supreme Court this morning.

Plaintiff was a woman, Cheung Chai-lai, who was represented by Mr Percy Moore. Defendant was the Po Fung Co., and Lau Chung-yui, who was represented by Mr P. C. Woo.

The Judge held that the defendant was not entitled to the protection afforded by the Tenancy (Prolonged Duration) Ordinance, 1952 as the plaintiff was not the original landlord of the premises.

He ordered \$1,200 against the defendant as mesne profits from April to July, 1952, because plaintiff had received no rent from defendant since she served on him a valid notice to quit by March 31.

The Judge found that the original landlord was Li Ching-hai who sold the whole house to plaintiff on January 31, 1950.

Efficiency Awards

Major K.M.A. Barnett and Lieut C.W.L. Cole have been awarded the Efficiency Medal of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Force, according to today's Gazette.

The Efficiency Medal has been awarded to Sgt F. H. Neale, Cpl. Pinkie Lam, Pte C.A. Allen, Pte G.V. da Silva, Pte H. J. Xavier and Cnr R. A. Xavier.
First class to the Efficiency Medal has been awarded to ASM W. D. Shille, CSM H. Sheehar and Pte H.A. Soares.
Second class to the Efficiency Medal has been awarded to Sgt J.G. Meier, while the Efficiency Medal and first class has been awarded to Lt/Cpl C.M.D. Azedo.

GOLD FOUND ON AIR PASSENGER

About 10 taels of gold were found in the possession of a woman during a routine search by Revenue Officers of passengers leaving by Air France for Hanoi, early this morning. The woman was arrested.

Living Language

Why we say Cooco!

Almost everyone knows that this word comes from Australia where as a call it can be made to carry long distances, especially through a cup made of the hands. The Australian pioneers first met the word among the Aborigines with whom "coo-wah" means "come here!"

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FRIDAY, July 11th

Formosa, Japan, 2 p.m., C.A.T. Formosa, Okinawa, Japan, Seattle, Canada, 4.30 p.m., H.K.A. N.W.A. Burma, E. India, W. Pakistan, Middle East Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 4.30 p.m., B.O.A. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 4.30 p.m., Q.E.A. Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, W. India, 4.30 p.m., B.O.A.C.

By Surface

Macao, 1 p.m.; 6 p.m., s/a Lee Hong/Tak Shing. Japan, 2 p.m., s/a Nippon Yusen. South Africa, 6 p.m., s/a Tjipanas.

SATURDAY, July 12th

By Air. Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 5 a.m., Via P.A.L. U.S.A., Canada, 3 p.m., P.A.A. U.S.A., 4.30 p.m., B.O.A.C. Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 4.30 p.m., Thai Airways. Siam, 4.30 p.m., Thai Airways. Macao, 1 p.m.; 6 p.m., s/a Lee Hong/Tak Shing. Republic, 5.30 a.m.; 6 p.m., train via Canton. East of Great Britain, 10 a.m., s/a Benlloch. Philippines, 2 p.m., s/a Hal Hong. Formosa, 2 p.m., s/a Shanghai. France, 2 p.m., s/a La Marseillaise. Japan, 2 p.m., s/a Radnorshire.

SUNDAY, July 13th

By Air. Formosa, 4.30 p.m., Via H.K. Airways. Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 4.30 p.m., C.P.A. Or the Continent there are many. Macao, 1 p.m.; 6 p.m., s/a Lee Hong/Tak Shing. Siam, Noon, s/a Indochina.

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